

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8353–S8438

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3026–3039, and S. Res. 353–355. **Pages S8412–13**

Measures Reported:

S. 1066, to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to encourage the use of and research into agricultural best practices to improve the environment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–407)

S. 1762, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide cost share assistance for the rehabilitation of structural measures constructed as part of water resources projects previously funded by the Secretary under such Act or related laws. (S. Rept. No. 106–408)

Measures Passed:

Committee Membership Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 354, providing for certain appointments to the Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Small Business, and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Pages S8425–26**

PNTR (Permanent Normal Trade Relations) for China: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China, and to establish a framework for relations between the United States and the People's Republic of China, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

Byrd Amendment No. 4117, to require disclosure by the People's Republic of China of certain information relating to future compliance with World Trade Organization subsidy obligations. **Page S8354**

By 29 yeas to 68 nays (Vote No. 238), Wellstone Amendment No. 4119, to require that the President

certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China is in compliance with certain Memoranda of Understanding regarding prohibition on import and export of prison labor products.

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By 32 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 239), Helms/Wellstone Amendment No. 4125, to require the President certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China has taken certain actions with respect to ensuring human rights protection.

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Pending:

Wellstone Amendment No. 4118, to require that the President certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China has taken certain actions with respect to ensuring human rights protection.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 4120, to require that the President certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China has responded to inquiries regarding certain people who have been detained or imprisoned and has made substantial progress in releasing from prison people incarcerated for organizing independent trade unions.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 4121, to strengthen the rights of workers to associate, organize and strike.

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Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting.

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Byrd Amendment No. 4131, to improve the certainty of the implementation of import relief in cases of affirmative determinations by the International Trade Commission with respect to market disruption to domestic producers of like or directly competitive products.

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Thompson Amendment No. 4132, to provide for the application of certain measures to covered countries in response to the contribution to the design, production, development, or acquisition of nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons or ballistic or cruise missiles.

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Hollings Amendment No. 4134, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to require corporations to disclose foreign investment-related information in 10-K reports. **Pages S8396-98**

Hollings Amendment No. 4135, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for cereals (wheat, corn, and rice) and soybeans, and to direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Pages S8396-98**

Hollings Amendment No. 4136, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually, beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for advanced technology products, and direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Pages S8396-98**

Hollings Amendment No. 4137, to condition eligibility for risk insurance provided by the Export-Import Bank or the Overseas Private Investment Corporation on certain certifications. **Pages S8396-98**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of certain amendments on Wednesday, September 13, 2000, with votes on Byrd Amendment No. 4131 and division 6 of Smith (N.H.) No. 4129 to occur at 11 a.m. **Page S8406**

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

Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Panama (Treaty Doc. No. 106-46); and

Investment Treaty with Azerbaijan (Treaty Doc. No. 106-47).

The treaties were 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 was ordered to be printed. **Page S8426**

Appointments:

Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Union: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h-276k, as amended, appointed Senator Hutchison as Chair of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Union during the 106th Congress. **Page S8426**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joel Gerber, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after he takes office. (Reappointment)

Stephen J. Swift, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after he takes office. (Reappointment)

Steven E. Achelpohl, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska vice William G. Cambridge, retired.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy. **Pages S8426-38**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—239) **Pages S8366, S8381**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 8:28 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 13, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8426.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

USDA'S PROCESSING OF COMPLAINTS OF DISCRIMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture's processing of civil rights complaints, and recommendations to improve the efficiency of the process, after receiving testimony from Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General, Paul W. Fiddick, Assistant Secretary for Administration, and Charles R. Rawls, General Counsel, all of the Department of Agriculture; Robert E. Robertson, Associate Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; John W. Boyd, Jr., National Black Farmers Association, Baskerville, Virginia; John Zippert, Epes, Alabama, on behalf of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund and the Rural Coalition/Coalicion Rural; Lawrence Lucas, USDA Coalition of Minority Employees, and Alexander Pires, Conlon, Frantz, Phelan, and Pires, both of Washington, D.C.; Harold Conner, Upper Marlboro, Maryland; and Juanita Carranza, Lambert, Montana.

RAIL COMPETITION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation concluded oversight hearings on freight rail competition issues, after receiving testimony from Linda J. Morgan, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; Bobby

Tom Crowe, Walter Industries, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama, on behalf of the American Chemistry Council; Eric Aasmundstad, North Dakota Farm Bureau, Fargo, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; and Diane C. Duff, Alliance for Rail Competition, Edward R. Hamberger, Association of American Railroads, and Frank K. Turner, American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association, all of Washington, D.C.

FHA RESERVES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation concluded hearings on S. 2914, to amend the National Housing Act to require partial rebates of FHA mortgage insurance premiums to certain mortgagors upon payment of their FHA-insured mortgages, S. 2997, to establish a National Housing Trust Fund in the Treasury of the United States to provide for the development of decent, safe, and affordable housing for low-income families, and to examine issues relating to the current perceived surplus in the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund and establishing a safe and adequate level of FHA reserves, after receiving testimony from Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; William Apgar, Assistant Secretary for Housing/ Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development; John C. Weicher, Hudson Institute, Jordan Clark, United Homeowners Association, and Thomas A. Schatz, Citizens Against Government Waste, all of Washington, D.C.; Joe Flatley, Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation, Boston; and Mariana Luz, Anti-Displacement Project, Inc., Springfield, Massachusetts.

FIRESTONE TIRE RECALL

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues surrounding the investigation and recall of Firestone ATX, ATX II, and Wilderness AT tires and Ford Explorer rollovers, after receiving testimony from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary, and Sue Bailey, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; Masatoshi Ono, Tokyo, Japan, and John Lampe and Robert Wyant, both of Nashville, Tennessee, all of Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc.; Jacques A. Nasser, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan; and Joan Claybrook, Public Citizen, and Clarence Ditlow, Center for Auto Safety, both of Washington, D.C.

COLUMBIA RIVER HYDROPOWER

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded oversight hearings on the status of the biological opinions of the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operations of the Federal hydropower system of the Columbia River, after receiving testimony from Derek B Stewart, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; George T. Frampton, Jr., Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; William Stelle, Jr., Northwest Regional Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce; Judith A. Johansen, Administrator/ Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; Col. Eric T. Mogren, Deputy Division Engineer, Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and David Cottingham, Special Assistant to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S PROPOSED RULE ON ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings to examine Department of Transportation proposed regulations for metropolitan and statewide transportation planning rules, implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and related procedures for transportation decisionmaking, protection of public parks, wildlife and waterfowl, refugees, and historic sites, focusing on the proposed NEPA regulations and how they relate to the environmental streamlining provisions of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), P.L. 105-178, after receiving testimony from George T. Frampton, Jr., Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Lois J. Schiffer, Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice; Carol A. Murray, New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Concord; Jim Currie, Montana Department of Transportation, Helena, on behalf of the Montana, Wyoming, Nevada, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota, Arizona, and Michigan Transportation Departments; Gordon D. Proctor, Ohio Department of Transportation, Columbus; and Thomas R. Warne, Utah Department of Transportation, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials.

TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Treaty with Nigeria on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters (Treaty Doc. 102–26), Inter-American Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters with related optional protocol (Treaty Doc. 105–25), Treaty with Ukraine on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–16), Treaty with France on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–17), Treaty with Greece on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–18), Treaty With Egypt on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–19), Treaty with Romania on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–20), Treaty with Russia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–22), Treaty with Cyprus on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–35), Treaty with South Africa on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 106–36), Extra-

dition Treaty with Paraguay (Treaty Doc. 106–4), Extradition Treaty With South Africa (Treaty Doc. 106–24), Extradition Treaty with Sri Lanka (Treaty Doc. 106–34), Extradition Treaty with Belize (Treaty Doc. 106–38), Treaty with Belize for Return of Stolen Vehicles (Treaty Doc. 105–54), Treaty with Guatemala for Return of Stolen, Robbed, Embezzled or Appropriated Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 105–58), Treaty with Dominican Republic for Return of Stolen or Embezzled Vehicles (Treaty Doc. 106–7), Treaty with Costa Rica on Return of Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 106–40), Treaty with Panama on Return of Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 106–44), Inter-American Convention of Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad (Treaty Doc. 104–35), and Protocol Amending the 1950 Consular Convention with Ireland (Treaty Doc. 106–43), after receiving testimony from Bruce C. Swartz, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and Samuel M. Witten, Assistant Legal Adviser for Law Enforcement and Intelligence, Department of State.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 5146–5162; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 107; H. Con. Res. 394–397; and H. Res. 572, 573, 575, 576, were introduced. **Pages H7501–02**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 3595, to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978, amended (H. Rept. 106–836);

H.R. 4148, to make technical amendments to the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act relating to contract support costs, amended (H. Rept. 106–837);

H.R. 4790, to recognize hunting heritage and provide opportunities for continued hunting on public lands, amended (H. Rept. 106–838);

H. Con. Res. 345, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the need for cataloging and maintaining public memorials commemorating military conflicts of the United States and the service of individuals in the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 106–839);

H.R. 4104, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize funding to carry out certain water quality and barrier island restoration projects

for the Mississippi Sound, amended (H. Rept. 106–840);

H.R. 3661, to help ensure general aviation aircraft access to Federal land and to the airspace over that land, amended (H. Rept. 106–841 Pt. 1);

H.R. 3378, to authorize certain actions to address the comprehensive treatment of sewage emanating from the Tijuana River in order to substantially reduce river and ocean pollution in the San Diego border region, amended (H. Rept. 106–842 Pt. 1);

Conference report on H.R. 1654, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002 (H. Rept. 106–843); and

H. Res. 574, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1654, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002 (H. Rept. 106–844).

Pages H7404–13, H7501

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

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Sister Catherine Moran, Order of Preachers, of Newark, New Jersey. **Page H7378**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:59 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H7378**

Profound Sorrow on the Death of the Honorable Herbert H. Bateman, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia: The House agreed to H. Res. 573, expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Herbert H. Bateman, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia. **Pages H7431–40**

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

School Safety Hotlines: H.R. 5123, to require the Secretary of Education to provide notification to States and State educational agencies regarding the availability of certain administrative funds to establish school safety hotlines; **Pages H7380–84**

Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Program: H.R. 4840, amended, to reauthorize the Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act; **Pages H7384–85**

Exploration of the Seas: H.R. 2090, amended, to direct the Secretary of Commerce to contract with the National Academy of Sciences to establish the Coordinated Oceanographic Program Advisory Panel to report to the Congress on the feasibility and social value of a coordinated oceanography program (passed by a ye and nay vote of 390 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 460); **Pages H7385–88, H7440–41**

Red River National Wildlife Refuge: H.R. 4318, amended, to establish the Red River National Wildlife Refuge; **Pages H7388–89**

Corinth Battlefield Preservation Act: S. 1117, to establish the Corinth Unit of Shiloh National Military Park, in the vicinity of the city of Corinth, Mississippi and in the State of Tennessee—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7389–91**

Black Patriots Memorial North of the Reflecting Pool on the Mall. H.R. 4957, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work (passed by a ye and nay vote of 398 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 461); **Pages H7391–93, H7441–42**

Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment: H.R. 3632, amended, to revise the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (passed by a ye and nay vote of 333 yeas to 68 nays, Roll No. 462); **Pages H7393–94, H7442**

Air Force Memorial in the District of Columbia Metropolitan Area: H.R. 4583, to extend the authorization for the Air Force Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia

or its environs (passed by a ye and nay vote of 398 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 463); **Pages H7394–95, H7442–43**

Jackson Multi-Agency Campus Act: S. 1374, to authorize the development and maintenance of a multiagency campus project in the town of Jackson, Wyoming clearing the measure for the President (passed by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 464). Earlier, the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 394, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 1374; **Pages H7396–97, H7398, H7443–44**

Sales of Electricity by the Bonneville Power Administration: S. 1937, to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act to provide for sales of electricity by the Bonneville Power Administration to joint operating entities—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7398–99**

Deschutes Resources Conservancy Reauthorization: S. 1027, to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes Resources Conservancy—clearing the measure for the President, **Page H7399**

San Bernardino National Forest Land Conveyance: H.R. 3657, amended, to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of public domain land in the San Bernardino National Forest in the State of California; **Pages H7399–S7401**

Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act: S. 624, amended, to authorize construction of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System in the State of Montana; **Pages H7401–03**

Virgin Islands Organic Act Revision: H.R. 2296, to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide that the number of members on the legislature of the Virgin Islands and the number of such members constituting a quorum shall be determined by the laws of the Virgin Islands; **Pages H7403–04**

Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe: H.R. 1460, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to decrease the requisite blood quantum required for membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe; **Pages H7413–14**

Guam War Restitution Act: H.R. 755, amended, to amend the Organic Act of Guam to provide restitution to the people of Guam who suffered atrocities such as personal injury, forced labor, forced marches, internment, and death during the occupation of Guam in World War II. Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H7414–16**

Recognizing Slave Laborers Who Worked on the Construction of the Capitol: H. Con. Res. 368, establishing a special task force to recommend an appropriate recognition for the slave laborers who worked on the construction of the United States Capitol; **Pages H7444–47**

Significant Contributions of the Birmingham Pledge: H.J. Res. 102, recognizing that the Birmingham Pledge has made a significant contribution in fostering racial harmony and reconciliation in the United States and around the world; **Pages H7455–57**

Literacy Involves Families Together Act: H.R. 3222, amended, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve literacy through family literacy projects. Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H7459–70**

Tijuana River Valley Estuary and Beach Sewage Cleanup Act: H.R. 3378, amended, to authorize certain actions to address the comprehensive treatment of sewage emanating from the Tijuana River in order to substantially reduce river and ocean pollution in the San Diego border region; **Pages H7470–75**

Estuary Restoration Act: H.R. 1775, amended, to catalyze restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient financing of projects and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs; **Pages H7475–80**

Mississippi Sound Restoration Act: H.R. 4104, amended, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize funding to carry out certain water quality and barrier island restoration projects for the Mississippi Sound. Agreed to amend the title; and **Pages H7480–82**

Estuary Habitat and Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act: S. 835, amended, to encourage the restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient project financing and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs. Subsequently, the House insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference. **Pages H7482–91**

Suspensions—Debated: The House completed debate on the following motions to suspend the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, September 13:

Foreign Sales Corporation Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion: H.R. 4986, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income; **Pages H7416–31**

Scouting for all Act: H.R. 4892, to repeal the Federal charter of the Boy Scouts of America;

Pages H7448–55

Honoring the Service and Sacrifice by the United States Merchant Marine. H. Con. Res. 327, honoring the service and sacrifice during periods of war by members of the United States merchant marine; and **Pages H7457–59**

Strengthening United States-India Relations: H. Res. 572, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is in the interest of both the United States and the Republic of India to expand and strengthen United States-India relations, intensify bilateral cooperation in the fight against terrorism, and broaden the ongoing dialogue between the United States and India, of which the upcoming visit to the United States of the Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, is a significant step. **Pages H7491–93**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Representative Conyers announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, to agree to the provisions contained in title XV of the Senate amendment. **Page H7444**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Representative Graham announced his intention to offer motions to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001: First, to agree to the provisions contained in section 1068 of the Senate amendment; and second, not to agree to provisions which (1) fail to recognize that the 14th amendment to the Constitution guarantees all persons equal protection under the law; (2) deny equal protection under the law by conditioning prosecution of certain offenses on the race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability of the victim; and (3) preclude a person convicted of murder from being sentenced to death. **Page H7470**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7375.

Referral: S. 2386 was referred to the Committees on Government Reform and Rules. **Page H7498**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7440–41, H7441–42,

H7442, H7442–43, and H7443–44. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 573, adjourned at 11:37 p.m. as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Herbert H. Bateman, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED ENTERPRISES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on Government Sponsored Enterprises. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: William Apgar, Assistant Secretary, Housing, and Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board; and Armando Falcon, Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight; Tom McCool, Director, Financial Institutions and Market Issues, GAO; Barbara Miles, Specialist in Financial Institutions, Government and Finance Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL DISABILITY BENEFITS—DRUG ADDICTS AND ALCOHOLICS

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Welfare held a hearing on Federal Disability Benefits Still Being Paid to Drug Addicts and Alcoholics. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: James G. Huse, Jr., Inspector General; Steven L. Schaeffer, Assistant Inspector General, Audit; and Ken Nibali, Associate Commissioner, Disability.

ESTABLISHING A FEDERAL CIO

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing entitled: “Establishing a Federal CIO: Information Technology Management and Assurance Within the Federal Government.” Testimony was heard from Sally Katzen, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; David McClure, Associate Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems, GAO; Jim Flyzik, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Information Systems), Chief Information Officer, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

ANTITRUST ENFORCEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 4321, Antitrust Enforcement Improvement Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Representative Minge; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—NASA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote a rule waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1654, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000, 2001 and 2002, and against its consideration. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representative Ralph Hall of Texas.

BEYOND SILICON-BASED COMPUTING

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held a hearing on Beyond Silicon-Based Computing: Quantum and Molecular Computing. Testimony was heard from Ruzena Bajcsy, Assistant Director, Computer, Information Science, and Engineering Directorate, NSF; and public witnesses.

CHILE DECLASSIFICATION BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Chile Declassification. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing on H.R. 1275, to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the interstate movement of live birds for the purpose of having the birds participate in animal fighting, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit, hearing on H.R. 4013, Upper Mississippi River Basin Conservation Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 4311, Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2000, and related financial fraud issues, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Task Force on Natural Resources and the Environment, hearing on Controlling Wildfires In the Future: What Strategies and Resources Are Needed? 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled: “Organized Crime on Wall Street,” 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Securing the Health of the American People: focusing on the following measures: H.R. 2399, National Commission for the New National Goal: The Advancement of Global Health Act; H.R. 4242, Orphan Drug Innovation Act; H.R. 762, Lupus Research and Care Amendments of 1999; H.R. 3677, Thomas Navarro FDA Patient Rights Act; H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act; and a resolution

recognizing the importance of researching childhood cancers, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3011, Truth in Telephone Billing Act of 1999; and H.R. 4445, Reciprocal Compensation Adjustment Act of 2000, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning, hearing on Recruitment and Retention of Quality Teachers, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on Lessons From the Laboratories of Democracy: Environmental Innovation in the States, 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on Biological Weapons Convention: Status and Implications, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on U.N. Referendum for Western Sahara: 9 Years and Counting, 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up the following measures: H.Con.Res. 328, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma; and a resolution voicing concern about serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in most states of Central Asia, including substantial noncompliance with their Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) commitments on democratization and the holding of free and fair elections, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Cooperate and Industrial Espionage and Their Effects on American Competitiveness, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3575, Student Athlete Protection Act; H.R. 534, Fairness and Voluntary Arbitration Act; H.R. 4548, Agricultural Opportunities Act; H.R. 5106, Copyright Technical Corrections Act of 2000; and H.R. 5107, Work Made for Hire and Copyright Corrections Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up the following: H.R. 4068, Religious Workers Act of 2000; and a private relief bill, 3 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to consider the following measures: S. 426, Huna Totem Corporation Public Interest Land Exchange Act; S. 964, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act; S. 1117, Corinth Battlefield Preservation Act of 1999, H.R. 1500, America's Wilderness Protection Act; S. 1653, National Fish and Wildlife

Foundation Establishment Act Amendments of 1999; S. 1778, to provide for equal exchanges of land around the Cascade Reservoir; H.R. 2941, Las Cienegas National Conservation Area Establishment Act of 1999; H.R. 3067, Nampa and Meridian Conveyance Act; H.R. 3118, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act that authorize States to establish hunting seasons for double-crested cormorants; H.R. 3986, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington; H.R. 4020, Dillonwood Giant Sequoia Grove Park Expansion Act; H.R. 4503, Historically Women's Public Colleges or Universities Historic Building Restoration and Preservation Act; H.R. 4613, National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000; H.R. 4656, to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site; H.R. 4721, to provide for all right, title, and interest in and to certain property in Washington County, Utah, to be vested in the United States; H.R. 4800, Ronald Reagan Recognition Act of 2000; H.R. 4828, Steens Mountain Wilderness Act of 2000; H.R. 5130, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide cost sharing for the CALFED water enhancement programs in California; and a measure to provide incentives for Indian tribes to collect and pay lawfully imposed State sales taxes on goods sold on tribal lands and to provide for penalties against Indian tribes that do not collect and pay such State sales taxes, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, hearing to receive Member testimony on proposed changes to House Rules, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Technology, hearing on the State of NASA's Space Science Enterprise, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Role of Technical Standards in Today's Society and in the Future, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Ground Transportation, hearing on the Department of Transportation's Proposed NEPA and Planning Rules, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on Federal Agency Shuttles, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up H.R. 5109, Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Personnel Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up H.R. 4857, Privacy and Identity Protection Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on trade in African diamonds, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4444, PNTR for China, with votes on Byrd Amendment No. 4131 and division 6 of Smith (N.H.) Amendment No. 4129 to occur at 11:00 a.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 13

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 4810, Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Reconciliation Act of 2000 (veto override);

Conference report on H.R. 4205, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001; (possible motions to instruct conferees); and

Consideration of conference report on H.R. 4516, Legislative Branch Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001.



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