

The Senate met at 4:30 p.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Today's prayer will be offered by our guest Chaplain, Rev. Daniel Coughlin, Chaplain, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

We are pleased to have you with us.

PRAYER

The guest Chaplain, Rev. Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Blessed are You, Lord God of Heaven and Earth. Besides endowing this country with rich and beautiful natural resources, You have blessed us with a strong and creative Government which in every age brings about improvement. Under Your guidance, You have allowed us to develop the resources of our land and its people. You have called forth the power within us to build up its institutions and promote all its best interests. Guide the Members of this noble assembly that they may perform their public and sacred duty so that this present generation may see their accomplished deeds worthy to be remembered. By Your blessing, may this country itself become a vast and splendid monument of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty upon which the world may gaze with admiration, both now and forever. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable TRENT LOTT, a Senator from the State of Mississippi, led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

Mr. LOTT. Thank you, Mr. President.

THANKING REVEREND DANIEL COUGHLIN

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, we wish to thank the very distinguished House Chaplain, Rev. Daniel Coughlin, for being with us today. We appreciate the work he does in the House of Representatives also.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will be in a short session today for scheduling announcements and to accommodate some morning business requests. The Senate is expected to take action on the conference report to accompany the foreign operations appropriations bill as soon as it becomes available. However, votes are not expected to occur during today's session of the Senate. Votes are

more likely to occur on Wednesday, and all Senators will be notified as to the exact time votes can be expected to occur. It is the leadership's intention to complete all business by the end of this week. I hope that that can be achieved, and I thank my colleagues for their attention.

Let me emphasize again, at this time, as I had indicated to Senator REID last week, we will notify the Members as to whether or not there will be votes on Tuesday or what time they will occur. As it now stands, while there will be, I believe, reports filed on Tuesday to accompany appropriations bills and perhaps even a tax bill, we do not anticipate any votes to occur on Tuesday, but we do expect perhaps even several votes to occur on Wednesday.

Mr. President, I yield the floor.

Mr. President, let me reclaim the floor. I do have some additional business here that we can go ahead and do at this time.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2000

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House to accompany S. 2796.

There being no objection, the Chair laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 2796) entitled "An Act to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes", do pass with the following amendment:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE*.—This Act may be cited as the "Water Resources Development Act of 2000".

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS*.—

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definition of Secretary.

TITLE I—WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS

Sec. 101. Project authorization.

Sec. 102. Small projects for flood damage reduction.

Sec. 103. Small project for bank stabilization.

Sec. 104. Small projects for navigation.

Sec. 105. Small project for improvement of the quality of the environment.

Sec. 106. Small projects for aquatic ecosystem restoration.

Sec. 107. Small project for shoreline protection.

Sec. 108. Small project for snagging and sediment removal.

Sec. 109. Petaluma River, Petaluma, California.

TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 201. Cost sharing of certain flood damage reduction projects.

Sec. 202. Harbor cost sharing.

Sec. 203. Nonprofit entities.

Sec. 204. Rehabilitation of Federal flood control levees.

Sec. 205. Flood mitigation and riverine restoration program.

Sec. 206. Tribal partnership program.

Sec. 207. Native American reburial and transfer authority.

Sec. 208. Ability to pay.

Sec. 209. Interagency and international support authority.

Sec. 210. Property protection program.

Sec. 211. Engineering consulting services.

Sec. 212. Beach recreation.

Sec. 213. Performance of specialized or technical services.

Sec. 214. Design-build contracting.

Sec. 215. Independent review pilot program.

Sec. 216. Enhanced public participation.

Sec. 217. Monitoring.

Sec. 218. Reconnaissance studies.

Sec. 219. Fish and wildlife mitigation.

Sec. 220. Wetlands mitigation.

Sec. 221. Credit toward non-Federal share of navigation projects.

Sec. 222. Maximum program expenditures for small flood control projects.

Sec. 223. Feasibility studies and planning, engineering, and design.

Sec. 224. Administrative costs of land conveyances.

Sec. 225. Dam safety.

TITLE III—PROJECT-RELATED PROVISIONS

Sec. 301. Nogales Wash and Tributaries, Nogales, Arizona.

Sec. 302. John Paul Hammerschmidt Visitor Center, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Sec. 303. Greers Ferry Lake, Arkansas.

Sec. 304. Ten- and Fifteen-Mile Bayous, Arkansas.

Sec. 305. Cache Creek basin, California.

Sec. 306. Larkspur Ferry Channel, Larkspur, California.

Sec. 307. Norco Bluffs, Riverside County, California.

Sec. 308. Sacramento deep water ship channel, California.

Sec. 309. Sacramento River, Glenn-Colusa, California.

Sec. 310. Upper Guadalupe River, California.

Sec. 311. Brevard County, Florida.

Sec. 312. Fernandina Harbor, Florida.

Sec. 313. Tampa Harbor, Florida.

Sec. 314. East Saint Louis and vicinity, Illinois.

Sec. 315. Kaskaskia River, Kaskaskia, Illinois.

Sec. 316. Waukegan Harbor, Illinois.

Sec. 317. Cumberland, Kentucky.

Sec. 318. Lock and Dam 10, Kentucky River, Kentucky.

Sec. 319. Saint Joseph River, South Bend, Indiana.

Sec. 320. Mayfield Creek and tributaries, Kentucky.

Sec. 321. Amite River and tributaries, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

Sec. 322. Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System, Louisiana.

Sec. 323. Atchafalaya River, Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black Louisiana.

Sec. 324. Red River Waterway, Louisiana.

Sec. 325. Thomaston Harbor, Georges River, Maine.

Sec. 326. Breckenridge, Minnesota.

Sec. 327. Duluth Harbor, Minnesota.

Sec. 328. Little Falls, Minnesota.

Sec. 329. Poplar Island, Maryland.

Sec. 330. New York Harbor and adjacent channels, Port Jersey, New Jersey.

Sec. 331. Passaic River basin flood management, New Jersey.

Sec. 332. Times Beach nature preserve, Buffalo, New York.

Sec. 333. Garrison Dam, North Dakota.

Sec. 334. Duck Creek, Ohio.

Sec. 335. Astoria, Columbia River, Oregon.

Sec. 336. Nonconnah Creek, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Sec. 337. Bowie County levee, Texas.

Sec. 338. San Antonio Channel, San Antonio, Texas.

Sec. 339. Buchanan and Dickenson Counties, Virginia.

Sec. 340. Buchanan, Dickenson, and Russell Counties, Virginia.

Sec. 341. Sandbridge Beach, Virginia Beach, Virginia.