

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11617–S11661*

#### Measures Passed:

**DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4640, to make grants to States for carrying out DNA analyses for use in the Combined DNA Index System of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to provide for the collection and analysis of DNA samples from certain violent and sexual offenders for use in such system, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S11645–48**

Grassley (for Leahy) Amendment No. 4359, to express the sense of Congress regarding the obligation of grantee States to ensure access to post-conviction DNA testing and competent counsel in capital cases.

**Pages S11645–46**

**ICCVAM Authorization Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4281, to establish, wherever feasible, guidelines, recommendations, and regulations that promote the regulatory acceptance of new or revised scientifically valid toxicological tests that protect human and animal health and the environment while reducing, refining, or replacing animal tests and ensuring human safety and product effectiveness, clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages S11648–49**

**Intelligence Authorization Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5630, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S11649–51**

Grassley (for Allard) Amendment No. 4360, to strike section 501, relating to contracting authority for the National Reconnaissance Office. **Page S11649**

**Chimpanzee Health Improvement, Maintenance, and Protection Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3514, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a system of sanctuaries for chimpanzees that have been designated as being no longer needed in re-

search conducted or supported by the Public Health Service, clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages S11654–55**

**Prosecution Drug Treatment Alternative to Prison Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4493, to establish grants for drug treatment alternative to prison programs administered by State or local prosecutors, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Page S11655**

Grassley (for Hatch) Amendment No. 4361, in the nature of a substitute.

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**Enhanced Federal Security Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4827, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent the entry by false pretenses to any real property, vessel, or aircraft of the United States or secure area of any airport, to prevent the misuse of genuine and counterfeit police badges by those seeking to commit a crime, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Bankruptcy Reform Act Conference Report:** Senate continued consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2415, to enhance security of United States missions and personnel overseas, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2000. (On October 11, 2000, the H.R. 2415 conference committee struck all of the House bill after the enacting clause and inserted the provisions of S. 3186, the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 2000).

**Pages S11621–42, S11656–60, S11660–61**

By prior unanimous-consent, Senate will continue consideration of the conference report on Thursday, December 7, 2000, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur at 3:45 p.m.

**Presidential Threat Protection Act:** Senate receded from its amendments numbered 2 and 4 and agreed to the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment numbered 5 to H.R. 3048, to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former Presidents and members of their families, clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages S11651–54**

**Majority Committee Assignments:** Pursuant to S. Res. 354, amending paragraphs 2 and 3(a) of Rule XXV and providing for certain appointments to the

Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee, the Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee, the Finance Committee, the Small Business Committee, and the Veterans' Affairs Committee (agreed to by the Senate on September 12, 2000), Senate appointed Senator Nickles to be a Member of the Banking Committee and Senator Voinovich to be a Member of the Agriculture Committee. **Page S11660**

**Communications:** **Pages S11642–43**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page S11643**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S11643–45**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S11645**

**Additional Remarks:** **Page S11642**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 10:01 a.m. and, recessed at 4:50 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, December 7, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11655–56.)

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 2 public bills, H.R. 5642–5643; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 127, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** No reports were filed today.

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H12019**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:02 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m. **Page H12019**

**Making Continuing Appropriations—Unanimous Consent Agreement:** Agreed that it be in order at any time without intervention of any point of order to consider H.J. Res. 127, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001; that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment; that it be debatable for one hour, equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and that the previous question be considered as order to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit. **Page H12019**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate on Dec. 5, 2000 appears on page H12019.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

#### OVERSIGHT—HOUSTON NARCOTICS INVESTIGATION

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held an oversight hearing entitled: "Oversight of the Drug Enforcement Administration: Were Criminal Investigations Swayed by Political Considerations?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the DEA, Department of Justice: Ernest L. Howard, Special Agent in Charge, Houston Field Office; Julio Mercado, Deputy Administrator; R. C. Gamble, Chief Inspector; and Jack Schumacher, Houston Field Office; and the following officials of the Police Department, Houston, Texas: Bill Stephens; Larry Jean Allen; and Ralph G. Chaison.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### BRIEFING—GLOBAL HOT SPOTS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2000

##### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### House

*Committee on Government Reform,* hearing on "How Will Subpoenaed White House E-Mails Be Produced After the End of the Clinton Administration?" 10 a.m., and to continue oversight hearings entitled "Oversight of the Drug Enforcement Administration: Were Criminal Investigations Swayed by Political Considerations?" 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.