

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

First Session of the One Hundred Seventh Congress convened.

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert of the State of Illinois was elected Speaker of the house of Representative.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1–S15*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine resolutions were submitted as follows: S. Res. 1–7, and S. Con. Res. 1–2. **Page S13**

**Administration of Oath of Office:** The Senators-elect were administered the oath of office by the Vice President of the United States. **Pages S5–6**

#### Measures Passed:

**Informing the President:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 1, informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled. **Page S6**

**Informing the House of Representatives:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 2, informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled. **Page S6**

**Election of President Pro Tempore:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 3, to elect Robert C. Byrd, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States, and to elect Strom Thurmond, a Senator from the State of South Carolina, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States. **Pages S6–7**

**Notifying the President:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 4, notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore. **Page S7**

**Notifying the House of Representatives:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 5, notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore of the Senate. **Page S7**

**Hour of Daily Meeting:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 6, fixing the hour of daily meeting of the Senate. **Page S7**

**Designating Committee Chairmen:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 7, designating Chairmen of the following Senate committees. **Pages S7–8**

**Counting of Electoral Votes:** Senate agreed to S.Con.Res. 1, to provide for the counting on January 6, 2001, of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States. **Page S7**

**Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies Extension:** Senate agreed to S.Con.Res. 2, to extend the life of the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies and the provisions of S. Con. Res. 90. **Page S7**

#### Unanimous Consent Agreements:

**Select Committee on Ethics:** Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 107th Congress, the Ethics Committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate. **Page S8**

**Time for Roll Call Votes:** Senate agreed that, during the 107th Congress, there be a limitation of 15 minutes each upon any roll call vote, with the warning signal to be sounded at the midway point, beginning at the last 7½ minutes, and when roll call votes are of 10-minute duration, the warning signal be sounded at the beginning of the last 7½ minutes. **Page S8**

**Authority to Receive Reports:** Senate agreed that, during the 107th Congress, it be in order for the Secretary of the Senate to receive reports at the desk when presented by a Senator at any time during the day of the session of the Senate. **Page S8**

**Recognition of Leadership:** Senate agreed that, the Majority and Minority Leaders may daily have up to 10 minutes each on each calendar day following the prayer, and disposition of the reading of, or the approval of, the Journal. **Page S8**

**House Parliamentary Floor Privileges:** Senate agreed that, the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives and his three assistants be given the privileges of the floor during the 107th Congress. **Page S8**

**Printing of Conference Reports:** Senate agreed that, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXVIII, conference reports and statements accompanying them not be printed as Senate reports when such conference reports and statements have been printed as a House report unless specific request is made in the Senate in each instance to have such a report printed. **Page S8**

**Authority for Appropriations Committee:** Senate agreed that, the Committee on Appropriations be authorized during the 107th Congress to file reports during adjournments or recesses of the Senate on appropriations bills, including joint resolutions, together with any accompanying notices of motions to suspend Rule XVI, pursuant to Rule V, for the purpose of offering certain amendments to such bills or joint resolutions, which proposed amendments shall be printed. **Page S8**

**Authority for Corrections in Engrossment:** Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 107th Congress, the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make technical and clerical corrections in the engrossments of all Senate-passed bills and resolutions, Senate amendments to House bills and resolutions, Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions, and Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate amendments to House bills or resolutions. **Page S8**

**Authority to Receive Messages and Sign Enrolled Measures:** Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 107th Congress, when the Senate is in recess or adjournment, the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to receive messages from the President of the United States, and—with the exception of House bills, joint resolutions and concurrent resolutions—messages from the House of Representatives; and that they be appropriately referred; and that the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the Acting President pro tempore be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions. **Page S8**

**Privileges of the Floor:** Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 107th Congress, Senators be allowed to leave at the desk with the Journal Clerk the names of two staff members who will be granted the privilege of the floor during the consideration of the specific matter noted, and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to rotate such staff members as space allows. **Page S8**

**Referral of Treaties and Nominations:** Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 107th Congress, it be in order to refer treaties and nominations on the day when they are received from the President, even when the Senate has no executive session that day. **Page S8**

**Authority to Introduce Measures:** Senate agreed that, no bills or further resolutions, or Committee-reported legislation, other than those whose introduction and consideration have been agreed to by the Majority Leader, following consultation with the Republican Leader, be in order prior to January 22, and further, that for the remainder of the 107th Congress, Senators may be allowed to bring to the desk, bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and simple resolutions, for referral to appropriate committees. **Page S8**

## Appointments:

**Electoral Votes:** The Chair appointed Senators Dodd and Warner as tellers on the part of the Senate to count the electoral votes. **Page S8**

**Senate National Security Working Group:** The Chair announced the following appointment made on December 18, 2000, during the sine die adjournment: Pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 105 (adopted April 13, 1989), as amended by S. Res. 149 (adopted October 5, 1993), as amended by Public Law 105-275, further amended by S. Res. 75 (adopted March 25, 1999), and S. Res. 383 (adopted October 27, 2000), on behalf of the Majority Leader, the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Senate National Security Working Group for the 107th Congress: Senators Cochran (Republican Administrative Co-chairman), Stevens (Co-Chairman), Kyl (Co-Chairman), Thurmond, Helms, Lugar, Warner, Lott, Thompson, and Allard. **Pages S14-15**

**NATO Parliamentary Assembly:** The Chair announced the following appointment made on December 18, 2000, during the sine die adjournment: Pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 1928a-1928d, as amended, on behalf of the Vice President, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, the appointment of Senator Smith, of Oregon, as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly during the 107th Congress. **Pages S14-15**

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

Convention on Safety of UN and Associated Personnel (Treaty Doc. No. 107-1).

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 was ordered to be printed. **Page S15**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

James A. Wynn, Jr., of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Bonnie J. Campbell, of Iowa, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

James E. Duffy, Jr., of Hawaii, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Barry P. Goode, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Roger L. Gregory, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Kathleen McCree Lewis, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Enrique Moreno, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Sarah L. Wilson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Helene N. White, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.  
 7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.  
 Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine  
 Corps, Navy, and Coast Guard. **Pages S15–18**  
**Messages From the House:** **Page S13**  
**Communications:** **Page S13**  
**Additional Statements:** **Pages S12–13**

**Quorum Calls:** One quorum call was taken today.  
 (Total—1) **Page S6**

**Recess:** Senate met at 12 noon, and, recessed at 4:58  
 p.m. until 12 noon, on Thursday, January 4, 2001.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 93 public bills, H.R. 11–103;  
 and 32 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1–4; H. Con. Res.  
 1–10, and H. Res. 1–18, were introduced.

**Pages H25–28**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on Dec. 15, 2000, H.R. 2441, to amend the  
 Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce fees on  
 securities transactions, amended (H. Rept.  
 106–1034);

Filed on Dec. 15, 2000, H.R. 4737, to require an  
 inventory of documents and devices containing Re-  
 stricted Data at the national security laboratories of  
 the Department of Energy, to improve security pro-  
 cedures for access to the vaults containing Restricted  
 Data at those laboratories, amended (H. Rept.  
 106–1035, Pt. 1);

Filed on Dec. 21, 2000, Report on the Legislative  
 and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways  
 and Means During the 106th Congress (H. Rept.  
 106–1036);

Filed on Dec. 28, 2000, The Tragedy at Waco:  
 New Evidence Examined (H. Rept. 106–1037);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Summary of Legislative and  
 Oversight Activities of the Committee on Transpor-  
 tation and Infrastructure for the 106th Congress (H.  
 Rept. 106–1038);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001 Report on Activities of the  
 Committee on Appropriations, 106th Congress (H.  
 Rept. 106–1039);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001 Report on the Activities of  
 the Committee on Education and the Workforce,  
 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1040);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activities  
 Report of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 106th  
 Congress (H. Rept. 106–1041);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activities of  
 the Committee on Agriculture During the 106th  
 Congress (H. Rept. 106–1042);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report of the Activities of  
 the Committee on Armed Services for the 106th  
 Congress (H. Rept. 106–1043);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activities of  
 the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct,  
 One Hundred Sixth Congress (H. Rept. 106–1044);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activities of  
 the Committee on Banking and Financial Services,  
 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1045);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on Legislative and  
 Oversight Activities of the Committee on Resources,  
 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1046);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activity of  
 the Committee on Commerce, 106th Congress (H.  
 Rept. 106–1047);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Report on the Activities of  
 the Committee on the Judiciary During the 106th  
 Congress (H. Rept. 106–1048);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Legislative Review Activi-  
 ties of the Committee on International Relations  
 During the 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1049);

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Summary of Activities of  
 the Committee on Small Business, 106th Congress  
 (H. Rept. 106–1050); and

Filed on Jan. 2, 2001, Survey of Activities of the  
 House Committee on Rules, 106th Congress (H.  
 Rept. 106–1051).

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**Election of Speaker:** The Honorable J. Dennis  
 Hastert of the State of Illinois was elected Speaker  
 of the House of Representatives and received 222  
 votes (yea and nay vote of 222 yeas to 207 nays with  
 2 voting "present", Roll No. 2). The Honorable  
 Richard A. Gephardt of the State of Missouri re-  
 ceived 206 votes, the Honorable John P. Murtha of  
 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania received one  
 vote, and two members-elect voted "present". The  
 Clerk appointed the following committee to escort  
 the Speaker-elect to the chair: Representatives-elect  
 Gephardt, Arney, DeLay, Bonior, Watts of Okla-  
 homa, Frost, Crane, Hyde, Evans, Lipinski, Costello,  
 Manzullo, Rush, LaHood, Weller, Jackson of Illinois,  
 Blagojevich, Davis of Illinois, Shimkus, Biggert,  
 Phelps, Schakowsky, Johnson of Illinois, and Kirk.

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**Administration of the Oath of Office:** The Dean  
 of the House, the Honorable John D. Dingell of the  
 State of Michigan, administered the oath of office to  
 the Speaker. The Speaker then administered the oath