

their rights with respect to the expenditure of funds for activities unrelated to collective bargaining.

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A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Helms Amendment No. 141 (listed above) to the bill at 8:45 a.m., on Friday, March 23, 2001, with a vote to occur thereon at approximately 9 a.m. Page S2714

Constitutional Amendment—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached that, pursuant to the agreement of February 7 with respect to S.J. Res. 4, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections, the Senate proceed to that resolution on Monday, March 26, 2001, at 2 p.m. Further, that final passage of the resolution occur on Monday at 6 p.m.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Faryar Shirzad, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Michele A. Davis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Andrew S. Natsios, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Larry D. Thompson, of Georgia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

Tim S. McClain, of California, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

44 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

8 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

A routine list in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—45) Pages S2686, S2703

Adjournment: Senate met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:41 p.m., until 8:45 a.m., on Friday, March 23, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the

Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2793.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded oversight hearings to review activities of the Food Safety and Inspection Service, focusing on allegations of corruption in the meat inspection program in the New York City metropolitan area, after receiving testimony from Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General, and Thomas J. Billy, Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, both of the Department of Agriculture.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION—MILITARY STRATEGY AND OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on military strategy and operational requirements, after receiving testimony from Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, United States European Command; and Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, Commander-in-Chief, United States Central Command.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 149, to provide authority to control exports, with amendments.

DEBT MANAGEMENT

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine management activities of the Department of the Treasury with respect to paying off the publicly held debt by the year 2011, and related international economic and financial implications, after receiving testimony from Gary Gensler, former Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance, and Edwin M. Truman, Institute for International Economics, both of Chevy Chase, Maryland; F. Ward McCarthy, Jr., Stone & McCarthy Research Associates, Princeton, New Jersey; and Albert M. Wojnilower, Craig Drill Capital, New York, New York.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CONCESSIONS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation,

and Recreation concluded oversight hearings to review the National Park Service's implementation of management policies and procedures to comply with the provisions of Title IV of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act (P.L. 105-391), relating to concession reform, after receiving testimony from Richard G. Ring, Associate Director, Park Operations and Education, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Joseph K. Fassler, Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of the National Park Hospitality Association; Philip H. Voorhees, National Parks Conservation Association, and William P. Horn, Birch, Horton, Bittner and Cherot, on behalf of America Outdoors, both of Washington, D.C.; and Curt Cornelssen, Pricewaterhouse Coopers, Boston, Massachusetts.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND MEDICARE FINANCING

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine issues related to the projections of future Medicare spending and growth, as well as restructuring of the program, focusing on designing and funding prescription drug benefits for Medicare beneficiaries, receiving testimony from Dan L. Crippen, Director, Congressional Budget Office; David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office; Richard S. Foster, Chief Actuary, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Patricia Neuman, Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health Department of Health Policy and Management, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the intelligence assessment of emerging national security threats from George J. Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

DC METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to assess the District of Columbia Metropolitan

Police Department's year 2000 performance, after receiving testimony from City Administrator John A. Koskinen, Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice Margret Nedelkoff Kellums, and Chief of Police Charles H. Ramsey, all of the District of Columbia.

HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Public Health concluded hearings to examine the United States health care safety net system and the challenges facing providers who care for the uninsured and medically underserved, focusing on the authorization of several programs including the Consolidated Health Centers Program, the National Health Service Corps, and the Healthy Communities Access Program, after receiving testimony from Claude Earl Fox, Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Dennis S. Freeman, Cherokee Health Systems, Talbot, Tennessee, on behalf of the American Psychological Association and the Tennessee Primary Care Association; Velma Lopez Hendershott, InterCare Community Health Network, Bangor, Maine, on behalf of the National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.; Robert P. Moser Jr., Greeley Family Practice, Tribune, Kansas; and John G. O'Brien, Cambridge Health Alliance, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on behalf of the National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems.

MEMBER TRIBES OBJECTIVES

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine the legislative priorities and objectives of national, regional, and inter-tribal organizations that represent tribal governments, receiving testimony from Susan Masten, Yurok Tribe, Eureka, California, and Thomas R. Ranfranz, Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe, Flandreau, South Dakota, both on behalf of the National Congress of American Indians; and Jefferson Keel, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, Oklahoma.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again Wednesday, March 28.