

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 5005, Homeland Security Act.

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3009, Trade Act of 2002.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7391–S7442

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2802–2811, S. Res. 307–310, and S. Con. Res. 132. **Page S7430**

Measures Reported:

S. 2808, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. (S. Rept. No. 107–224)

S. 2809, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. (S. Rept. No. 107–225)

S. 1992, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve diversification of plan assets for participants in individual account plans, to improve disclosure, account access, and accountability under individual account plans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–226)

S. 1115, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–227)

S. 2771, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a project for construction of a plaza adjacent to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. **Pages S7429–30**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Meeting of Remembrance: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 448, providing for a special meeting of the Congress in New York, New York, on Friday, September 6, 2002, in remembrance of

the victims and the heroes of September 11, 2001, in recognition of the courage and spirit of the City of New York. **Page S7438**

Congressional Representation: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 449, providing for representation by Congress at a special meeting in New York, New York on Friday, September 6, 2002. **Page S7438**

Honoring Justin W. Dart, Jr.: Senate agreed to S. Res. 310, honoring Justin W. Dart, Jr., as a champion of the rights of individuals with disabilities. **Pages S7438–39**

Intelsat Extension: Senate passed S. 2810, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to extend the deadline for the INTELSAT initial public offering. **Page S7439**

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 132, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S7439**

JFK Center Plaza Authorization: Senate passed S. 2771, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a project for construction of a plaza adjacent to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. **Pages S7442–43**

Greater Access to Affordable Pharmaceuticals Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 812, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7398–S7413**

Pending:

Reid (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 4299, to permit commercial importation of prescription drugs from Canada. **Page S7398**

McConnell Amendment No. 4326 (to Amendment No. 4299), to provide for health care liability reform. **Pages S7398–S7413**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Monday, July 29, 2002.

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, agreed to the House request for a conference, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Levin, Kennedy, Byrd, Lieberman, Cleland, Landrieu, Reed, Akaka, Nelson (FL), Nelson (NB), Carnahan, Dayton, Bingaman, Warner, Thurmond, McCain, Smith (NH), Inhofe, Santorum, Roberts, Allard, Hutchinson, Sessions, Collins, and Bunning. **Pages S7397–98**

Nomination—Cloture Vote: By a unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 193), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close debate on the nomination of Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Pages S7391–96**

Pursuant to the order of July 25, 2002, a vote on confirmation of the nomination will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, July 29, 2002.

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nominations of Joy Flowers Conti, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and John E. Jones III, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, on Monday, July 29, 2002, with votes to occur thereon; following the disposition of the nomination of Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Page S7442**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: Guy F. Caruso, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration.

Christopher C. Conner, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

W. Roy Grizzard, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Lex Frieden, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2004.

Young Woo Kang, of Indiana, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2003.

Kathleen Martinez, of California, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2003.

Carol Hughes Novak, of Georgia, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2004.

Patricia Pound, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2002.

Kathleen P. Utgoff, of Virginia, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor for a term of four years.

Ray Elmer Carnahan, of Arkansas, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

Theresa A. Merrow, of Georgia, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Georgia for the term of four years.

Ruben Monzon, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years.

Gregory Robert Miller, of Florida, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Kevin Vincent Ryan, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of California, for the term of four years.

David Scott Carpenter, of North Dakota, to be United States Marshal for the District of North Dakota for the term of four years.

James Michael Wahlrab, of Ohio, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Randall Dean Anderson, of Utah, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah for the term of four years. (Reappointment)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Otis Webb Brawley, Jr., of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for a term expiring June 20, 2003.

Marion C. Blakey, of Mississippi, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration for the term of five years.

James C. Miller III, of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the term expiring December 8, 2010. **Page S7444**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
 (Total—193) Page S7391

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:55 a.m., and adjourned at 3:54 p.m., until 4 p.m., on Monday, July 29, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7443.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Lt. Gen. James T. Hill, USA, for appointment to the grade of general and assignment as Commander in Chief, United States Southern Command, and Vice Adm. Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, for appointment to the grade of admiral and assignment as Commander in Chief, United States Joint Forces Command.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings, in open and closed sessions, on the aforementioned nominations, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Lt. Gen.

Hill was introduced by Senator Graham, and Vice Adm. Giambastiani was introduced by Senator Warner.

BIRTH DEFECTS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine public health issues related to birth defects, focusing on strategies for prevention and ensuring quality of life, after receiving testimony from Jose F. Cordero, Director, National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Hal Pote, J.P. Morgan Chase Manhattan, on behalf of the Spina Bifida Foundation and the Spina Bifida Association of America, and Nancy S. Green, Albert Einstein School of Medicine, on behalf of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, both of New York, New York; and Fred Liguori, Granby, Connecticut.

INDIAN MONEY ACCOUNTS

Committee on Indian Affairs: On Thursday, July 25, Committee concluded hearings to examine the July 2, 2002 Report of the Department of the Interior to Congress on historical accounting of Individual Indian Money Accounts, after receiving testimony from McCoy Williams, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, General Accounting Office; James Cason, Associate Deputy Secretary, Bert Edwards, Executive Director, Office of Historical Trust Accounting, and Tom Slonaker, Special Trustee for American Indians, all of the Department of the Interior; and William F. Causey, Nixon Peabody, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 74 public bills, H.R. 5240–5262, 5264–5314; 1 private bill, H.R. 5315; and 15 resolutions, H.J. Res. 109; H. Con. Res. 452–458, and H. Res. 509–515, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
 H.R. 4883, to reauthorize the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998, amended (H. Rept. 107–621);

H.R. 5012, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a project for construction of a plaza adja-

cent to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (H. Rept. 107–622);

H.R. 5263, making appropriations for agriculture, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 107–623);

Conference report on H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act (H. Rept. 107–624); and