

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1588, National Defense Authorization Act.

The House passed S. 3, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 760, as passed the House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7269–S7415

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1178–1187, S. Res. 159, and S. Con. Res. 48–49. **Page S7381**

Measures Passed:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 1588, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 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, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 1050, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on May 22, 2003, and after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Kennedy Amendment No. 847, to change the requirements for naturalization through service in the Armed Forces of the United States, to extend naturalization benefits to members of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve of a reserve component of the Armed Forces, to extend posthumous benefits to surviving spouses, children, and parents.

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Reid Amendment No. 848, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

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Rejected:

By 42 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 205), Dorgan Amendment No. 849, to repeal the authorities and requirements for a base closure round in 2005.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Warner, McCain, Inhofe, Roberts, Allard, Sessions, Collins, Ensign, Talent, Chambliss, Graham (SC), Dole, Cornyn, Levin, Kennedy, Byrd, Lieberman, Reed, Akaka, Nelson (FL), Nelson (NE), Dayton, Bayh, Clinton, and Pryor.

Subsequently, Senate vitiated the May 22, 2003 passage of S. 1050.

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Subsequently, S. 1050 be returned to the Senate Calendar.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached with respect to further consideration of S. 1047, S. 1048, and S. 1049; that if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives with regard to any of these measures, the Senate disagree to the amendment or amendments of the House to the Senate-passed bill, and agree to or request a conference, as appropriate, with the House of Representatives on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses; that the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees; and that the foregoing occur without any intervening action or debate.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the engrossment of S. 1047, as passed by the Senate on May 22, 2003, be corrected by inserting the text of Amendment Nos. 847 and 848 to H.R. 1588.

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Energy Policy Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 14, to enhance the energy security of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

By 37 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 206), Bingaman/Sununu Modified Amendment No. 851 (to Amendment No. 850), to authorize the Secretary of Energy to waive the ethanol mandate on the East and West Coast in the event of a significant price increase or supply interruption. **Pages S7369–71**

Pending:

Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 840, to reauthorize Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), weatherization assistance, and State energy programs. **Page S7365**

Domenici (for Gregg) Amendment No. 841 (to Amendment No. 840), to express the sense of the Senate regarding the reauthorization of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981. **Page S7365**

Domenici (for Frist) Amendment No. 850, to eliminate methyl tertiary butyl ether from the United States fuel supply, to increase production and use of renewable fuel, and to increase the Nation's energy independence. **Pages S7365–69**

Schumer/Clinton Amendment No. 853 (to Amendment No. 850), to exclude Petroleum Administration for Defense Districts I, IV, and V from the renewable fuel program. **Pages S7372–73**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the only remaining second-degree amendments to Domenici Amendment No. 850 (listed above) be ethanol-related amendments by Senators Schumer (listed above) and Boxer (two amendments); that when the Senate resumes consideration of S. 14 at 10 a.m., on Thursday, June 5, 2003, Senator Boxer be recognized to offer an amendment; and that following debate on the ethanol-related amendments, they be temporarily set aside and the votes occur in relation to the amendments in the order offered at a time determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader. **Page S7415**

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Text of H.R. 1588 as Previously Passed (Senate amendment which is the text of S. 1050, as passed the Senate on 5–22–03, and further amended on today): **Pages S7297–S7364**

Text of S. 1047 as Previously Passed (Division A of Senate amendment to H.R. 1588): **Pages S7301–43**

Text of S. 1048, as Previously Passed (Division B of Senate amendment to H.R. 1588): **Pages S7343–54**

Text of S. 1049, as Previously Passed (Division C of Senate amendment to H.R. 1588): **Pages S7354–64**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—206) **Pages S7297, S7317**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 5, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7415.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MEDIA OWNERSHIP

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine activities of the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on their recent decision to adopt new broadcast ownership limits, after receiving testimony from Michael K. Powell, Chairman, and Kathleen Q. Abernathy, Michael J. Copps, Kevin J. Martin, Jonathan S. Adelstein, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Communications Commission.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded hearings to examine S. 714, to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of Bureau of Land Management land in Douglas County, Oregon, to the county to improve management of and recreational access to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, S. 391, to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, S. 1003, to clarify the intent of Congress with respect to the continued use of established commercial outfitter hunting camps on the Salmon River, H.R. 417, to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California, and S. 924, to authorize the exchange of lands between