

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1308, Child Tax Credit.

House passed H.R. 1474, Check 21 Act.

House agreed to H. Con. Res. 190, to establish a Joint Committee to Review House and Senate Rules Pertaining to the Continuity of Congress.

House passed S. 222, Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act and S. 273, Grand Teton National Park Land Exchange Act—clearing the measures for the President.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7417–S7509

Measures Introduced: Eighteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1188–1205, and S. Res. 160–161. **Page S7476**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 116, commemorating the life, achievements, and contributions of Al Lerner. **Page S7476**

Measures Passed:

Child Tax Credit: Senate passed H.R. 1308, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to accelerate the increase in the refundability of the child tax credit, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7449–59**

By 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 210), Grassley Amendment No. 862, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7449–56**

Grassley/Lincoln Amendment No. 863, to amend the title. **Page S7459**

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House of Representatives thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Grassley, Nickles, Lott, Baucus, and Lincoln. **Page S7509**

Commemorating the Life of Al Lerner: Senate agreed to S. Res. 116, commemorating the life, achievements, and contributions of Al Lerner. **Pages S7507–08**

Commending Clemson University Men's Golf Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 161, commending

the Clemson University Tigers men's golf team for winning the 2003 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Golf Championship. **Page S7508**

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: **Pages S7421–49, S7459–62**

Adopted:

Boxer Amendment No. 854 (to Amendment No. 850), to promote the use of cellulosic biomass ethanol derived from agricultural residue. **Pages S7421–23, S7444**

By 68 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 209), 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. **Page S7447**

Domenici (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 860 (to Amendment No. 840), to reauthorize LIHEAP, weatherization assistance, and State energy programs. **Pages S7448–49**

Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 840, to reauthorize Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), weatherization assistance, and State energy programs. **Page S7447**

Rejected:

By 26 yeas to 69 nays (Vote No. 207), 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 S7442–43**

By 38 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 208), Boxer Amendment No. 856 (to Amendment No. 850), to provide for equal liability treatment of vehicle fuels and fuel additives. **Pages S7423–32, S7443–44**

Withdrawn:

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. **Pages S7448–49**

Pending:

Campbell/Domenici Amendment No. 864, to replace “tribal consortia” with “tribal energy resource development organizations”. **Pages S7459–62**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Tuesday, June 10, 2003, when the Senate considers the Wyden/Sununu amendment relative to commercial nuclear power plants, there be 2 hours equally divided; that no amendments to the amendment or the language proposed to be stricken be in order prior to the vote on or in relation to the amendment; and that the amendment remain debatable and amendable, if not disposed of.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 1 p.m., on Monday, June 9, 2003. **Page S7509**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit at 5:15 p.m., on Monday, June 9, 2003, with 30 minutes of debate, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:45 p.m. **Page S7507**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Page S7509**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Karin J. Immergut, of Oregon, to be United States Attorney for the District of Oregon for the term of four years.

Lance Robert Olson, of Iowa, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard. **Page S7509**

Messages From the House: **Page S7474**

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Authority for Committees to Meet: **Pages S7506–07**

Privilege of the Floor: **Page S7507**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—210) **Pages S7443, S7443–44, S7447, S7456**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:47 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, June 9, 2003. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7509.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for foreign operations, after receiving testimony from Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, United States Agency for International Development.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Defense Production Act, focusing on its role in helping to obtain the goods and services needed to promote the national defense, after receiving testimony from Ronald M. Sega, Director, Defense Research and Engineering, and Suzanne D. Patrick, Deputy Under Secretary for Industrial Policy, both of the Department of Defense; Karan K. Bhatia, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security; R. David Paulison, Director, Preparedness Division, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; and Denise Swink, Acting Director, Office of Energy Assurance, Department of Energy.

INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL FINANCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings to examine intercity passenger rail finance, focusing on existing and future Amtrak services, government and freight railroad subsidization, and a separate and sealed future high-

speed passenger rail corridor, after receiving testimony from Allan Rutter, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Jeff Morales, California Department of Transportation, Sacramento; Robert Serlin, Rail Infrastructure Management, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania; Sonny Hall, Transportation Trades Department, (AFL-CIO), on behalf of the Transport Workers Union of America, and Edward R. Hamberger, Association of American Railroads, both of Washington, D.C.; and James Query, Lehman Brothers, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

TITLE XI MARITIME LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on reform of the Title XI Maritime Loan Guarantee Program, which authorizes the Maritime Administration (MARAD) to assist private companies in obtaining financing for the U.S. construction of vessels or the modernization of U.S. shipyards, after receiving testimony from William G. Schubert, Administrator, Maritime Administration, and Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, both of the Department of Transportation; and Thomas J. McCool, Managing Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, General Accounting Office.

CLEAR SKIES ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings to examine S. 485, to amend the Clean Air Act to reduce air pollution through expansion of cap and trade programs, to provide an alternative regulatory classification for units subject to the cap and trade program, focusing on emissions-control technologies and utility-sector investment issues, after receiving testimony from Randall S. Kroszner, Member Council of Economic Advisers; Larry S. Monroe, Southern Company, on behalf of Edison Electric Institute, and Margo Thorning, American Council for Capital Formation, both of Washington, D.C.; Steve Benson, University of North Dakota Energy and Environment Center, Grand Forks; Richard Bucher, W.L. Gore and Associates, Inc., Newark, Delaware; Denise L. Nappier, Connecticut State Treasurer, Hartford; Wes Taylor, TXU Energy North America, Dallas, Texas; Jim McGinnis, Morgan Stanley, New York, New York; Douglas G. Cogan, Investor Responsibility Research Center, Washington, D.C.; and Mark S. Brownstein, Enterprise Strategy, Newark, New Jersey, on behalf of the Public Service Enterprise Group and Clean Energy Group.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee met and approved a proposal to extend expenditure authority for the aviation trust fund through September 30, 2006, and conform the expenditure purposes to include those obligations of the United States authorized by S. 824, Aviation Investment and Revitalization Vision Act (pending on Senate calendar).

NORTH KOREA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the human rights situation in North Korea, focusing on social and religious control, access to food and health care, political prisoners, prison, and labor camps, after receiving testimony from Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development; Debra Liang-Fenton, U.S. Committee for Human Rights in North Korea, and Marcus Noland, Institute for International Economics, both of Washington, D.C.; Kongdon Oh Hassig, Institute for Defense Analysis, Alexandria, Virginia; Stephen W. Linton, Eugene Bell Foundation, Clarksville, Maryland; and Hae Nam Ji, North Korea.

Nominations:

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations: of C. Stewart Verdery, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, Border and Transportation Security Directorate, and Michael J. Garcia, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

TRIBAL FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Committee on Indian Affairs: On June 4, 2003, Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the status of tribal fish and wildlife management programs across Indian country, focusing on efforts of tribal governments to preserve and protect fish and wildlife resources, after receiving testimony from D. Robert Lohn, Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Hannibal Bolton, Chief, Division of Fish and Wildlife Management and Habitat Restoration, Fisheries and Habitat Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; J. Mark Robinson, Director, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Steven Wright, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, both of the Department of Energy;

Jim Wells, Director, Natural Resources and Environment Team, General Accounting Office; Olney Patt, Jr., Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish, Portland, Oregon; Charles Wilkinson, University of Colorado School of Law, Boulder; Bill Frank, Jr., Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, and Jim Anderson, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, both of Olympia, Washington; Dave Herrera, Skokomish Tribe, Shelton, Washington; Mel Moon, Quileute Tribe, Forks, Washington; Gary Aitken, Sr., Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Spokane, Washington; and Terry Gibson, Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Owyhee, Nevada.

ASBESTOS LITIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: On June 4, 2003, Committee concluded hearings to examine S. 1125, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure, after receiving testimony from Senators Hagel and Murray; Laurence H. Tribe, Harvard University Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; James D. Crapo, National Jewish Medical Research Center, Denver, Colorado; Laura Stewart Welch, Center to Protect Workers Rights, Silver Spring, Maryland; John E. Parker, University of West Virginia Department of Medicine, Morgantown, West Virginia;

Mark A. Peterson, Legal Analysis Systems, Thousand Oaks, California; Fred Dunbar, National Economic Research Associates, and Robert Hartwig, Insurance Information Institute, both of New York, New York; Eric D. Green, Boston University School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts; and Jennifer L. Biggs, Tillinghast-Towers Perrin, St. Louis, Missouri.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 116, commemorating the life, achievements, and contributions of Al Lerner; and

The nominations of Richard C. Wesley, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, J. Ronnie Greer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, Mark R. Kravitz, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, and John A. Woodcock, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, and R. Hewitt Pate, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, David B. Rivkin, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, and Harlon Eugene Costner, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of North Carolina, all of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 47 public bills, H.R. 2344–2390; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 208–211, and H. Res. 260, 261, were introduced.

Pages H5042–45

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H5045–46

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Very Rev. Ernesto Medina, Provost, Episcopal Cathedral Center of St. Paul, Los Angeles, California.

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Member Sworn—Nineteenth Congressional District of Texas: Representative-elect Randy Neugebauer presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier the Majority Leader asked unanimous consent that the Oath of Office be administered today after the Clerk of the House transmitted the unofficial results of the Special Runoff Election

held on Tuesday, June 3 from Ann McGeehan, Director of Elections, State of Texas. **Page H4982**

Check Clearing for the 21st Century—Check 21 Act: The House passed H.R. 1474, to facilitate check truncation by authorizing substitute checks, to foster innovation in the check collection system without mandating receipt of checks in electronic form, and to improve the overall efficiency of the Nation's payments system by ye-and-nay vote of 405 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 246.

Pages H4985–H5005, H5022

Pursuant to the rule the Committee on Financial Services amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 108–132) was considered as an original bill for the purpose of an amendment. **Page H5001**

Agreed to:

Hart amendment No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record that changes the short title to the Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act or the Check 21 Act. **Pages H5001–05**

Agreed to H. Res. 256, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 243.

Pages H4995–96

Joint Committee to Review House and Senate Rules Pertaining to the Continuity of Congress: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 190, to establish a joint committee to review House and Senate rules, joint rules, and other matters assuring continuing representation and congressional operations for the American people. The concurrent resolution was considered pursuant to the order of the House of June 4.

Pages H5005–12

Rule Providing for Consideration of Senate Bills: The House agreed to H. Res. 258, the rule that provided for consideration of S. 222, to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in Apache County, Arizona, and S. 273, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of land owned by the State of Wyoming within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park by recorded vote of 229 yeas to 175 noes, Roll No. 245. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 244.

Pages H5012–22

Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act: The House passed S. 222, to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in Apache County, Arizona by yea-and-nay vote of 389 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 247—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H5023–28, H5029–30

Grand Teton National Park Land Exchange Act: S. 273, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of land owned by the State of Wyoming within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park by yea-and-nay vote of 375 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 248—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H5028–29, H5030–31

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of June 9.

Pages H5031–32

Meeting Hours—Monday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 10: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 9 for morning hour debate; and further that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 10, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 5.

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Late Report: The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure received permission to have until midnight on Friday, June 6 to file a report to accompany H.R. 2115, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs for the Federal Aviation Administration.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appear on page H4981.

Referral: S. 1047, S. 1048, and S. 1049 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4995–96, H5021, H5021–22, H5022, H5029–30, and H5030. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing on the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Testimony was heard from James E. Newsome, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

“CONSUMER DIRECTED SERVICES: IMPROVING MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES’ ACCESS TO QUALITY CARE”

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Consumer Directed Services: Improving Medicaid Beneficiaries’ Access to Quality Care.” Testimony was heard from Terry White, Secretary, Department of Elder Affairs, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

SECURITIES FRAUD DETERRENCE AND INVESTOR RESTITUTION ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on H.R. 2179, Securities Fraud Deterrence and Investor Restitution Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Stephen M. Cutler, Director, Division of Enforcement, SEC; and public witnesses.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION EXTENSION; OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following bills: S. 858, to extend the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission; and H.R. 2086,

amended, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003.

WASTED SPACE, WASTED DOLLARS— REFORMING REAL PROPERTY

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Wasted Space, Wasted Dollars: Reform Federal Real Property to Meet 21st Century Needs.” Testimony was heard from Steven Perry, Administrator, GSA; Linda Springer, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, OMB; Bernard Ungar, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; Mark Catlett, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Management, Department of Veterans Affairs; Charles Williams, Director, Overseas Building Operations, Department of State; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing entitled “The United States Department of Justice.” Testimony was heard from John Ashcroft, The Attorney General.

HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM AND HYPOXIA RESEARCH AMENDMENTS ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 1856, Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research Amendments Act of 2003.

MANUFACTURING R&D: HOW CAN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HELP?

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards held a hearing on Manufacturing R&D: How Can the Federal Government Help? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—AIRCRAFT CABIN ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on The Aircraft Cabin Environment. Testimony was heard from John L. Jordan, M.D., Federal Air Surgeon, Office of Aerospace Medicine, FAA, Department of Transportation; John Howard, M.D., Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL INTELLIGENCE UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a briefing on Global Intelligence Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BIO-WARFARE THREATS

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response and the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, joint hearing entitled “Does the Homeland Security Act of 2002 give the Department the tools it needs to Determine Which Bio-Warfare Threats are Most Serious?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Paul J. Redmond, Assistant Secretary, Information Analysis; and Eric Tolbert, Director, Response Division, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate.

Joint Meetings

ARMING ROGUE REGIMES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to examine arming rogue regimes, focusing on the role of Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Participating States, after receiving testimony from John Robert Bolton, Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; Roman Kupchinsky, Crime and Corruption Watch and Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Prague, Czech Republic; and Terence Taylor, International Institute for Strategic Studies—US, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold closed hearings to examine mission of the 75th Exploitation Task Force and the mission performed by the Iraq survey group related to Iraqi weapons of mass destruction and other issues, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine issues related to strengthening and improving Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Eduardo Aguirre, Jr., of Texas, to be Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on “Elevation of the Environmental Protection Agency to Department Level Status: H.R. 37, and H.R. 2138 (Department of Environmental Protection Act),” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Bioshield: Lessons from Current Efforts to Develop Bio-Warfare Countermeasures,” 9 a.m., 345 Cannon.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 9 through June 13, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 14, Energy Policy Act. Also, at 5:15 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, with 30 minutes of debate, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:45 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 14 (listed above) and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: June 12, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture’s implementation of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 and related crop insurance issues, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: June 10, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence programs, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 10, to hold hearings to examine the Administration’s proposal for reauthorization of the Federal Public Transportation Program, 10 a.m., SD-538.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine expanding homeownership opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 10, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 11, Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Federal Trade Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine global overfishing, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 12, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to cloning, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 10, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 499, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers, S. 546, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, S. 643, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico, S. 677, to revise the boundary of the Black Canyon

of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area in the State of Colorado, S. 1060 and H.R. 1577, bills to designate the visitor center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the “Kris Eggle Visitor Center”, H.R. 255, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant an easement to facilitate access to the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska, and H.R. 1012, to establish the Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site in the District of Columbia, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 12, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 434, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State of Idaho and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes, S. 435, to provide for the conveyance by the Secretary of Agriculture of the Sandpoint Federal Building and adjacent land in Sandpoint, Idaho, S. 490, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, H.R. 762, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Mineral Leasing Act to clarify the method by which the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture determine the fair market value of certain rights-of-way granted, issued, or renewed under these Acts, S. 1111, to provide suitable grazing arrangements on National Forest System land to persons that hold a grazing permit adversely affected by the standards and guidelines contained in the Record of Decision of the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment and pertaining to the Willow Flycatcher and the Yosemite Toad, and H.R. 622, to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Coconino and Tonto National Forests in Arizona, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: June 10, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold hearings to examine the current regulatory and legal status of federal jurisdiction of navigable waters under the Clean Water Act, focusing on issues raised by the Supreme Court in *Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers No. 99-1178*, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 12, to hold hearings to examine repercussions of Iraq stabilization and reconstruction policies, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: June 11, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine patient safety, focusing on instilling hospitals with a culture of continuous improvement, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 11, business meeting to consider S. 648, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to health professions programs regarding the practice of pharmacy, proposed legislation entitled “Greater Access to Affordable Pharmaceuticals Act”, and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine private sector lessons for Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-430.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain issues relative to TWA/American Airline work-force integration, 2 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: June 11, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Charles W. Grim, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, to be followed by hearings on S. 1146, to implement the recommendations of the Garrison Unit Tribal Advisory Committee by providing authorization for the construction of a rural health care facility on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, North Dakota, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 11, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and Diane M. Stuart, of Utah, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-266.

June 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine P2P file-sharing networks, focusing on personal and national security risks, 2 p.m., SD-226.

June 12, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, business meeting to consider S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, June 11, hearing on worldwide U.S. military commitments, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, June 10, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 438, Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act of 2003; and H.R. 2211, Ready to Teach Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 10, Subcommittee and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Natural Gas Supply and Demand Issues," 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "The Reauthorization of the Federal Trade Commission: Positioning the Commission for the Twenty-First Century," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing on entitled "The Spectrum Needs of Our Nation's First Responders," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, June 10, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on Financing Employee Ownership Programs: An Overview, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings on "The Section 8 Housing Assistance Program: Promoting Decent Affordable Housing for Families and Individuals Who Rent," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "Matching Capital and Accountability—The Millennium Challenge Account," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, June 10, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing on "Fixing the Financials—Featuring USDA and Education," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled "Geospatial Information: A Progress Report on Improving Our Nation's Man-Related Data Infrastructure," 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, to consider the following: The Citizen's Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and The Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

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Committee on Resources, June 12, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1006, Captive Wildlife Safety Act; and H.R. 1472, Don't Feed the Bears Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, June 9, to consider H.R. 2143, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

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Committee on Veterans' Affairs, June 10, to continue hearings on past and present efforts to identify and eliminate fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in programs administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 11, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 886, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who died on or before September 30, 1999, under the same eligibility conditions as apply to payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who die after that date; H.R. 1167, to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit remarried surviving spouses of veterans to be eligible for burial in a national cemetery; H.R. 1500, Veterans' Appraiser Choice Act; H.R. 1516, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in southeastern Pennsylvania; and H.R. 2163, to amend title 38, United States Code, to exclude the proceeds of life insurance from consideration as income for purposes of determining veterans' pension benefits, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 11, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following: H.R. 1720, Veterans Health Care Facilities Capital Improvement Act; a measure to authorize specific major medical construction projects in Las Vegas, Chicago Westside, West Haven, San Diego, and a lease at the Charlotte, NC outpatient clinic; H.R. 116, Veterans'

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At 5:15 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, with 30 minutes of debate, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:45 p.m.

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