

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11729–S11769

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1638–1640, and S. Con. Res. 70. **Pages S11753–54**

Measures Reported:

S. 281, to amend the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century to make certain amendments with respect to Indian tribes, to provide for training and technical assistance to Native Americans who are interested in commercial vehicle driving careers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–150)

S. 618, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Western Shoshone identifiable group under Indian Claims Commission Docket Numbers 326–A–1, 326–A–3, 326–K, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–151) **Page S11753**

Interior Department Appropriations: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S11731–36, S11738–39**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1731, to prohibit the use of funds for initiating any new competitive sourcing studies. **Page S11731**

Reid Amendment No. 1732, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain lands located in Nye County, Nevada. **Page S11731**

Reid Amendment No. 1733, to provide for the conveyance of land to the city of Las Vegas, Nevada, for the construction of affordable housing for seniors. **Page S11731**

Daschle Further Modified Amendment No. 1734, to provide additional funds for clinical services of the Indian Health Service, with an offset. **Pages S11731, S11734–35**

Daschle Further Modified Amendment No. 1739, to strike funding for implementation of the Department of the Interior's reorganization plan for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Office of Special

Trustee and to transfer the savings to the Indian Health Service. **Pages S11731, S11734**

Bingaman Amendment No. 1740, to ban commercial advertising on the National Mall. **Pages S11733–34**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following morning business, on Tuesday, September 23, 2003, that there be 10 minutes of debate and Senate vote on or in relation to Daschle Further Modified Amendment No. 1734 (listed above). **Page S11739**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 23, 2003. **Page S11769**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act House Message—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of the Senate of July 30, 2003 regarding S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion, the Chair announced the appointment of the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Hatch, DeWine, Santorum, Feinstein, and Boxer. **Pages S11768–69**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report relative to waiving the suspensions under section 902(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorizations Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991, with respect to the issuance of licenses for QSR 11 sensors; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–50) **Pages S11752–53**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 354), Glen E. Conrad, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia. **Pages S11736–38**

By unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 355), Henry F. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. **Page S11738**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Raymond Simon, of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Executive Communications:

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Text of H.R. 2754, as Previously Passed:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—355)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 7:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 23, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11769.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the non-military portion of the President's fiscal year 2004 supplemental request for Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from L. Paul Bremer, Administrator, Coalition Provisional Authority for Iraq.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: There were no bills introduced today.

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing entitled "The College Cost Crisis Report: Are Institutions Accountable Enough to Students and Parents?" 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, to mark up H.R. 2898, E-911 Implementation Act of 2003, 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Strategic Workforce Planning at USAID, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Achieving e-Government Efficiencies at the Office of Personnel Management," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on "Potential Congressional Responses to State Farm Mutual Automobile Ins. Co. v. Campbell: Checking and Balancing Punitive Damages," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection of the Committee on Energy and

Commerce, joint hearing on the Database and Collections of Information Misappropriation Act of 2003, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 408, to provide for expansion of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore; H.R. 546, to revise the boundary of the Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park in the State of Hawaii; H.R. 1521, to provide for additional lands to be included within the boundary of the Johnstown Flood National Memorial in the State of Pennsylvania; and H.R. 2055, to amend Public Law 89-366 to allow for an adjustment in the number of free roaming horses permitted in Cape Lookout National Seashore, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2557, Water Resources Development Act of 2003, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wolf to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H8401**

Senate Message: Message from the Senate appears today on page H8401.

Senate Referrals: S. 1636 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services and S. Con. Res. 68 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. **Page H8402**

Presidential Message: Read a message received by the Clerk of the House on September 18 from the President wherein he transmitted a report regarding

Blocking Terrorists Assets—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–126.)

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Adjournment: The House met at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D959)

H.R. 1668, to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 North Fifth Street in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the “Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse”. Signed on September 17, 2003. (Public Law 108–80).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gordon England, of Texas, to be Secretary of the Navy, 11 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and restoring investor confidence, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Full Committee, business meeting to markup the National Consumer Credit Reporting System Improvement Act of 2003, the Defense Production Reauthorization Act of 2003, and The Federal Transit Extension Act of 2003, 2 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 213, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, S. 1236, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program

to control or eradicate tamarisk in the western States, S. 1516, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to assess potential increases in water availability for Bureau of Reclamation projects and other uses through control of salt cedar and Russian olive, H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas, and H.R. 961, to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider a bill to extend the authority of TEA–21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) for five months, to be immediately followed by a hearing to consider the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine how to internationalize Iraq reconstruction and organize the U.S. government to administer reconstruction efforts, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold closed hearings to examine certain issues relative to combatting terrorist financing, 9:30 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine health technology, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold hearings to examine information sharing and coordination for visa issuance in relation to homeland security, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine proposals to limit eligibility for veterans' compensation benefits to disabilities directly related to “performance of duty” injuries only, 2:30 p.m., SR–418.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine HIPAA medical privacy and transaction rules, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 23

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2691, Interior Department Appropriations, with a vote on Daschle Further Modified Amendment No. 1734 to occur at approximately 10:45 a.m.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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