

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 432, Adjournment Resolution.
- The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 651, expressing the gratitude of the House of Representatives to its Parliamentarian, the Honorable Charles W. Johnson.
- The House passed H.R. 4200, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal year 2005.
- The House passed H.R. 4359, Child Credit Preservation and Expansion Act of 2004.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills were introduced as follows: S. 2451–2472. **Pages S5949–50**

Measures Reported:

S. 1687, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the preservation and interpretation of the historic sites of the Manhattan Project for potential inclusion in the National Park System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–270)

S. 1778, to authorize a land conveyance between the United States and the City of Craig, Alaska, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–271)

S. 1791, to amend the Lease Lot Conveyance Act of 2002 to provide that the amounts received by the United States under that Act shall be deposited in the reclamation fund. (S. Rept. No. 108–272)

H. Con. Res. 409, recognizing with humble gratitude the more than 16,000,000 veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during World War II and the Americans who supported the war effort on the home front and celebrating the completion of the National World War II Memorial on the National Mall in the District of Columbia.

S. Res. 362, expressing the sense of the Senate on the dedication of the National World War II Memorial on May 29, 2004, in recognition of the duty, sacrifices, and valor of the members of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in World War II.

S. 1933, to promote effective enforcement of copyrights, with amendments.

S. 2453, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to award grants to public transportation agencies to improve security. **Pages S5948–49**

Measures Passed:

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 432, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

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National Transportation Week: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 420, applauding the men and women who keep America moving and recognizing National Transportation Week, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Better Hearing and Speech Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 366, supporting May 2004 as National Better Hearing and Speech Month and commending those States that have implemented routine hearing screenings for every newborn before the newborn leaves the hospital. **Pages S6044–45**

Older Americans Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 353, designating May 2004, as “Older Americans Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Honoring Mildred McWilliams: Senate agreed to S. Res. 367, honoring the life of Mildred

McWilliams “Millie” Jeffrey (1910–2004) and her contributions to her community and to the United States. **Pages S6045–47**

Honoring Members of the Armed Forces: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 424, honoring past and current members of the Armed Forces of the United States and encouraging Americans to wear red poppies on Memorial Day. **Page S6047**

Measures Passed—Correction: The Daily Digest of Wednesday, May 19, 2004, incorrectly carried the passage of H.R. 3505, to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to specify the recipients and consideration for conveyance of the Bend Pine Nursery. (H.R. 3505 remains pending on the Senate Calendar.)

Department of Defense Authorization Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2400, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 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 Services, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Graham (SC) Amendment No. 3170, to provide for the treatment by the Department of Energy of waste material. **Pages S5903–07, S5909–25**

Crapo Amendment No. 3226 (to Amendment No. 3170), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5907**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 21, 2004.

Federal Highway Reauthorization—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of May 19, 2004, regarding H.R. 3550, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Inhofe, Warner, Bond, Voinovich, Grassley, Hatch, Nickles, Lott, Shelby, McCain, McConnell, Jeffords, Reid (NV), Graham (FL), Lieberman, Boxer, Daschle, Hollings, Sarbanes, Baucus, and Conrad. **Page S6047**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency protecting the Development Fund for Iraq and certain other property in which Iraq has an interest; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–78) **Page S5946**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the United States Arctic Research Plan; which was referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM–79)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2004 Comprehensive Report on U.S. Trade and Investment Policy for Sub-Saharan Africa and Implementation of the African Growth and Opportunity Act; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–80)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 97 yeas 1 nay (Vote No. Ex. 102), Raymond W. Gruender, of Missouri, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit. **Pages S5926–28**

By unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 103), Franklin S. Van Antwerpen, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Edwin D. Williamson, of South Carolina, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics for a term of five years.

Mark D. Gearan, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of one year. (New Position)

Leona White Hat, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2008.

Milton Aponte, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2006. (Reappointment)

Robert Davila, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2006. (Reappointment)

Young Woo Kang, of Indiana, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2006. (Reappointment)

Kathleen Martinez, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2006. (Reappointment)

Linda Wetters, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2006. (Reappointment)

Laura A. Cordero, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Juliet JoAnn McKenna, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Robert Clark Corrente, of Rhode Island, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island for the term of four years.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—103)	Page S5928, S5929

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 21, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6047.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EXTENDED CUSTODIAL INVENTORY PROGRAM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Reserve's Extended Custodial Inventory Program (ECI), focusing on recent events involving the Union Bank of Switzerland-Zurich which violated its ECI Agreement with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York by engaging in U.S. dollar banknote transactions with countries subject to sanctions by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control, which administers and enforces economic sanctions against targeted foreign countries, after receiving testimony from R. Richard Newcomb, Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury; and Thomas C. Baxter, Jr., Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York City.

CAN–SPAM ACT REVIEW

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the implementation of the Controlling the Assault of Non-

Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act (CAN–SPAM Act) (P.L. 108–187), focusing on new federal efforts to address unsolicited commercial email ("spam") to better protect consumers and businesses, after receiving testimony from Timothy Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Jana D. Monroe, Assistant Director, Cyber Division, and Dan Larkin, Unit Chief, Internet Crime Complaint Center, both of Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Ted Leonsis, America Online, Inc., Dulles, Virginia; Shinya Akamine, Postini, Inc., Redwood City, California; Hans Peter Brondmo, Digital Impact, Inc., San Mateo, California; James Guest, Consumers Union, Yonkers, New York; and Ronald Scelson, MicroEvolutions.com, Montgomery, Texas.

NATIONAL HISTORIC SITES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine S. 1672, to expand the Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve, Florida, S. 1789 and H.R. 1616, bills to authorize the exchange of certain lands within the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site for lands owned by the City of Atlanta, Georgia, S. 2167, to establish the Lewis and Clark National Historical Park in the States of Washington and Oregon, and S. 2173, to further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000, after receiving testimony from Paul Hoffman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks; Steve Brady, Sr., Northern Cheyenne Sand Creek Descendants, Lame Deer, Montana; Carol J. Alexander, Ritz Theatre & LaVilla Museum, Jacksonville, Florida; and Rex Ziak, Naselle, Washington.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety resumed oversight hearing to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, focusing on how the NRC and the industry will move forward with credibility and safety to ensure that nuclear power continues to be an important part of meeting economic, energy, and environment needs in the United States, after receiving testimony from Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, Edward McGaffigan, Jr., Commissioner, and Jeffrey S. Merrifield, Commissioner, all of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Marvin S. Fertel, Nuclear Energy Institute, and David Lochbaum, Union of Concerned Scientists, both of Washington, D.C.; Marilyn C. Kray, Exelon Nuclear, Kimberton, Pennsylvania, on behalf of NuStart Energy Development LLC; and Barclay G. Jones,