

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today.
It will next meet on Tuesday, December 7, 2004
at 9:30 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 5424–5429; and 1 resolution, and H. Res. 869, were introduced. **Page H10926**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H10926**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
H. Res. 868, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 108–795). **Page H10926**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H10897**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Correcting the enrollment of H.R. 4818: Concur in the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 528, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 4818, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 381 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 543; **Pages H10899–10906, H10918**

Limiting the transfer of certain Commodity Credit Corporation funds: S. 2856, to limit the transfer of certain Commodity Credit Corporation funds between conservation programs for technical assistance for the programs—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10906–09**

Federal Employee Dental and Vision Benefits Enhancement Act of 2004: S. 2657, to amend part III of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of programs under which supplemental dental and vision benefits are made available to Federal employees, retirees, and their dependents, to expand the contracting authority of the Office of Personnel Management—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10910–14**

Amending the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999: Concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 4012, to amend the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 to reauthorize for 2 additional years the public school and private school tuition assistance programs established under the Act—clearing the measure for the President; and **Pages H10914–15**

Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986: H.R. 5394, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the taxation of arrow components. **Pages H10915–17**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:39 p.m. and reconvened at 6:01 p.m. **Page H10918**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 10898.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on page H10918. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported on the legislative day of December 7, 2004, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (S. 2845) to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and the intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, and for other purposes.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1113)

H.R. 1113, to authorize an exchange of land at Fort Frederica National Monument. (Public Law 108-417)

H.R. 1284, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to increase the Federal share of the costs of the San Gabriel Basin demonstration project. (Public Law 108-418)

H.R. 1417, to amend title 17, United States Code, to replace copyright arbitration royalty panels with Copyright Royalty Judges. (Public Law 108-419)

H.R. 1446, to support the efforts of the California Missions Foundation to restore and repair the Spanish colonial and mission-era missions in the State of California and to preserve the artworks and artifacts of these missions. (Public Law 108-420)

H.R. 1964, to assist the States of Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania in con-

serving priority lands and natural resources in the Highlands region. (Public Law 108-421)

H.R. 3936, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the authorization of appropriations for grants to benefit homeless veterans, to improve programs for management and administration of veterans' facilities and health care programs. (Public Law 108-422)

H.R. 4516, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to advance high-end computing. (Public Law 108-423)

H.R. 4593, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for the high quality development in Lincoln County, Nevada. (Public Law 108-424)

H.R. 4794, to amend the Tijuana River Valley Estuary and Beach Sewage Cleanup Act of 2000 to extend the authorization of appropriations. (Public Law 108-425)

H.R. 5163, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide the Department of Transportation a more focused research organization with an emphasis on innovative technology. (Public Law 108-426)

H.R. 5213, to expand research information regarding multidisciplinary research projects and epidemiological studies. (Public Law 108-427)

H.R. 5245, to extend the liability indemnification regime for the commercial space transportation industry. (Public Law 108-428)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Medicaid Prescription Drug Reimbursement: Why the Government Pays too Much," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Ukraine's Election: Next Steps, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 20 through November 30, 2004

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	130	108	..
Time in session	1,009 hrs., 41'	1,872 hrs., 26'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	11,845	10,895	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	2,144	..
Public bills enacted into law	62	169	..
Private bills enacted into law	1	3	..
Bills in conference	10	9	..
Measures passed, total	613	736	1349
Senate bills	188	84	..
House bills	179	329	..
Senate joint resolutions	6	3	..
House joint resolutions	7	12	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	42	15	..
House concurrent resolutions	38	86	..
Simple resolutions	153	207	..
Measures reported, total	*317	*372	689
Senate bills	227	18	..
House bills	62	246	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	2	6	..
Simple resolutions	15	101	..
Special reports	8	4	..
Conference reports	1	13	..
Measures pending on calendar	298	162	..
Measures introduced, total	1,304	2,320	3,624
Bills	1,024	1,724	..
Joint resolutions	16	32	..
Concurrent resolutions	65	182	..
Simple resolutions	199	382	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	215	312	..
Recorded votes .....	..	229	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 20 through November 30, 2004

Civilian nominations totaling 531 (including 195 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		333
Unconfirmed		172
Withdrawn		23
Returned to White House		3
Other Civilian Nominations, totaling 4,080 (including 5 nominations carried over from the First Session) disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		3,768
Unconfirmed		311
Withdrawn		1
Air Force nominations, totaling 9,649 (including 3,572 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		5,777
Unconfirmed		3,870
Withdrawn		2
Army nominations, totaling 5,918 (including 594 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		5,827
Unconfirmed		91
Navy nominations, totaling 9,819 (including 2,444 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		9,803
Unconfirmed		16
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,229 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		1,225
Unconfirmed		4

Summary

Total nominations carried over from the First Session	6,812
Total nominations received this Session	24,414
Total confirmed	26,733
Total unconfirmed	4,464
Total withdrawn	26
Total returned to the White House	3

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 199 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 389 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 7

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, December 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business. Also, Senate may begin consideration of the National Intelligence Reform Conference Report.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

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