

Friday, April 7, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5527-S5559

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 711-718, and S. Res. 109. Page S5547

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 115, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire and to convey certain lands or interests in lands to improve the management, protection, and administration of Colonial National Historical Park, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 104-30)

S. 127, to improve the administration of the Women's Rights National Historical Park in the State of New York, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104-31)

S. 134, to provide for the acquisition of certain lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104-32)

S. 188, to establish the Great Falls Historic District in the State of New Jersey. (S. Rept. No. 104-33)

S. 197, to establish the Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104-34)

S. 223, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide funds to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission for acquisition of land in the Sterling Forest area of the New York/New Jersey Highlands Region. (S. Rept. No. 104-35)

S. 357, to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to establish the Friends of Kaloko-Honokohau, an advisory commission for the Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park. (S. Rept. No. 104-36)

S. 363, to improve water quality within the Rio Puerco watershed, New Mexico, and to help restore the ecological health of the Rio Grande through the cooperative identification and implementation of best management practices that are consistent with the ecological, geological, cultural, sociological, and economic conditions in the region. (S. Rept. No. 104-37)

S. 378, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain lands of the Columbia Basin Federal reclamation project, Washington. (S. Rept. No. 104-38)

S. 392, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 with regard to appointment of members of the Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission. (S. Rept. No. 104-39)

S. 551, to revise the boundaries of the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument and the Craters of the Moon National Monument. (S. Rept. No. 104-40)

S. 587, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Old Spanish Trail and the Northern Branch of the Old Spanish Trail for potential inclusion into the National Trails System. (S. Rept. No. 104-41)

S. 601, to revise the boundaries of the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. (S. Rept. No. 104-42)

S. 610, to provide for an interpretive center at the Civil War Battlefield of Corinth, Mississippi. (S. Rept. No. 104-43)

H.R. 400, to provide for the exchange of lands within Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104-44)

H.R. 440, to provide for the conveyance of lands to certain individuals in Butte County, California. (S. Rept. No. 104-45)

H.R. 536, to extend indefinitely the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to collect a commercial operation fee in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. (S. Rept. No. 104-46)

H.J. Res. 50, to designate the visitors center at the Channel Islands National Park, California, as the "Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitors Center". (S. Rept. No. 104-47)

Special Report prepared by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations entitled "Criminal Aliens in the United States". (S. Rept. No. 104-48)

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Measures Passed:

Commending Senator Robert C. Byrd: Senate agreed to S. Res. 109, extending the appreciation

and gratitude of the United States Senate to Senator Robert C. Byrd, on the completion by the Senator of the 4 volume treatise entitled "The History of the United States Senate." **Pages S5536-38**

Law Enforcement Officer Integrity: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 32, expressing the concern of the Congress regarding certain recent remarks that unfairly and inaccurately maligned the integrity of the Nation's law enforcement officers, and the resolution was then passed. **Page S5538**

Committee Authority: On Thursday, April 6, a consent agreement was reached providing that committees have authority to file legislative and executive reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Dennis M. Duffy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Policy and Planning). **Page S5559**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

1 Army nomination in the rank of Chief of Staff of the Army. **Page S5559**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and, in accordance with the provisions of H. Con. Res. 58, adjourned at 12:48 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, April 24, 1995.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SOCIAL SECURITY AND DISABILITY TRUST FUNDS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings to examine the 1995 Board of Trustees Annual Report of the Social Security and Disability Trust Funds, receiving testimony from Senator Kerrey; Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner, and Harry Ballantyne, Chief Actuary, both of the Social Security Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Stanford Ross, Washington, D.C., and David Walker, Atlanta, Georgia, both Public Trustees of the Social Security and Medicare Trust Funds.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-nine public bills, H.R. 1468-1526; and three resolutions, H. Con. Res. 61-63, were introduced. **Pages H4430-33**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Burton of Indiana to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4417**

Designation of Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Wolf to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through May 1, 1995. **Page H4417**

District of Columbia Financial Responsibility: House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1345, to eliminate budget deficits and management inefficiencies in the government of the District of

Columbia through the establishment of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H4421-23**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of May 3, 1995. **Page H4423**

Resignations—Appointments: It was made in order that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Monday, May 1, the Speaker and the Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House. **Page H4423**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m., and pursuant to H. Con. Res. 58, adjourned at 11:53 a.m., until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 1.

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission, the National Capital Planning Commission, and on the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation. Testimony was heard from Senator Hatfield, Co-Chairman, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission; Harvey Gant, Chairman, National Capital Planning Commission; and Richard Hauser, Chairman, Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation.

Joint Meetings

MARCH EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings on the employment-unemployment situation for March, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee will meet again on Friday, May 5.

FORMER YUGOSLAVIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain United Nations activities and concerns in the former Yugoslavia and in several of the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union from Sergio Viera de Mello, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Commission recessed subject to call.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Monday, April 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1:00 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation.

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House Chamber

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