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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 6, 1995, at 12 noon.

Senate

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 1995

(Legislative day of Monday, July 10, 1995)

The Senate met at 9:09 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Lord of all life, we thank You that You are concerned about all aspects of our life as a nation. Therefore, no problem we face is too big for You and no detail too small to escape Your attention. That is a great assurance, Lord. We can ask for Your wisdom for our most momentous deliberations and also receive Your guidance in the most mundane decisions. We are responsible to You for how we appropriate the money entrusted to us for the welfare and good of this Nation. You have made this Senate a steward of Your resources. Bless the Senators as they deal with practical matters of transportation—roads, airlines, and railroads, and concerns about defense. Grant them a sense of partnership with You in seeking Your best for all phases of our life. Throughout this day keep them mindful of Your presence and receptive to Your power. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, the Senate is immediately resuming the consideration of the Transportation appropriations bill this morning.

Following 4 minutes of debate, the Senate will begin several consecutive rollcall votes on or in relation to the pending amendments to the Transportation appropriations bill. Following the disposition of the Transportation bill, it may be the intention of the majority leader to resume consideration of the DOD authorization bill. There can also be a cloture vote on the DOD authorization bill. But I will not set a time for that until I have a chance to consult with the Democratic leader. I understand they have a meeting this morning. I am certain we will work it out to everybody's satisfaction.

Senators should therefore expect further rollcall votes and a late-night session. As a reminder, a cloture motion was filed yesterday on the DOD authorization bill. Therefore, Senators may file first-degree amendments up to the hour of 1 p.m. today.

I yield 1 minute to the Senator from Alaska.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Alaska is recognized.

(The remarks of Mr. MURKOWSKI pertaining to the introduction of S. 1144 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2002, which the clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2002) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

Pending:

(1) Jeffords-Leahy amendment No. 2337, to provide for the allocation to certain airports with respect to which commercial air service has been disrupted during the past 3 years, an annual subsidy under the essential air service program under subchapter II of chapter 417 of title 49, United States Code.

(2) Roth amendment No. 2340, to strike out sections 350 and 351, relating to waivers of the applicability of certain Federal personnel laws and procurement laws to the Federal Aviation Administration.

(3) Burns amendment No. 2341, to protect shippers in a captive shipper state.

(4) Pressler amendment No. 2345, to provide funding for rail freight infrastructure.

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ASHCROFT). The pending question is amendment No. 2340. Two minutes to a side have been allocated for debate prior to the vote.

The yeas and nays have been ordered. Who yields time?

AMENDMENT NO. 2337 WITHDRAWN

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, before we have the debate, I ask that the Jeffords amendment be withdrawn.

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