

Thursday, October 19, 1995

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act.
House passed Medicare Preservation Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S15297–S15369

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1335–1345, and S. Res. 185–186. **Pages S15337–38**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 187, to provide for the safety of journeymen boxers. (S. Rept. No. 104–159)

S. 1004, to authorize appropriations for the United States Coast Guard, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–160)

S. 673, to establish a youth development grant program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–161)

S. 1012, to extend the time for construction of certain FERC licensed hydro projects. (S. Rept. No. 104–162)

H.R. 1266, to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument. (S. Rept. No. 104–163)

S. Res. 177, to designate October 19, 1995, as "National Mammography Day". **Page S15337**

Measures Passed:

National Mammography Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 177, to designate October 19, 1995, as "National Mammography Day." **Pages S15311–12**

NASA Authorizations, 1996: Senate passed S. 1048, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for human space flight, science, aeronautics and technology, mission support, and the Inspector General, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S15298–S15311**

Kassebaum (for Pressler) Amendment No. 2939, to authorize funds for operation of the Upper Midwest Aerospace Consortium, and to clarify an authorization. **Pages S15303–06**

Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act: By 74 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 494), Senate passed H.R. 927, to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, and to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) Dole Amendment No. 2898, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S15315–25**

(2) Helms Amendment No. 2936 (to Amendment No. 2898), to strengthen international sanctions against the Castro government and to support for a free and independent Cuba. **Pages S15315–25**

Rejected:

(1) Simon Modified Amendment No. 2934 (to Amendment No. 2936), to protect the constitutional right of Americans to travel to Cuba. (By 73 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 492), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S15315–23**

(2) Dodd Amendment No. 2906 (to Amendment No. 2936), to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, and to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba, and Dodd Amendment No. 2908 (to Amendment No. 2936), to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, and to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba. (By 64 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 493), Senate tabled the amendments en bloc.) **Pages S15315–24**

Senate Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 186, to authorize testimony by Senate employees and representation by Senate Legal Counsel.

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Federal Employees Emergency Leave Transfer Act: Senate passed S. 868, to provide authority for

leave transfer for Federal employees who are adversely affected by disasters or emergencies.

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Tied Aid Credit Program Authorization: Senate passed S. 1309, to reauthorize the tied aid credit program of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and to allow the Export-Import Bank to conduct a demonstration project.

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Department of Defense Appropriations—Further Conference: The Senate agreed to a further conference with the House on H.R. 2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Mack, Shelby, Gregg, Hatfield, Inouye, Hollings, Johnston, Byrd, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, and Harkin.

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Workforce Development Act—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of October 11, 1995, the Chair appointed conferees on H.R. 1617, to consolidate and reform workforce development and literacy programs, as follows: Senators Kassebaum, Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Ashcroft, Abraham, Gorton, Kennedy, Pell, Dodd, Simon, Harkin, Mikulski, and Wellstone.

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

Transmitting a report of deferrals of budgetary resources; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, and to the Committee on Finance. (PM–88).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Arthur L. Money, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

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Messages From the President:

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Communications:

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Notices of Hearings:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—494)

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Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 7:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 20, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S15369.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Michael V. Dunn, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and John David Carlin, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Congressional Relations, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Dunn was introduced by Senator Leahy, and Mr. Carlin was introduced by Senator Kassebaum.

ROLE OF COUNCIL OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings to examine the role of the Council of Environmental Quality in the decision-making and management processes of the Department of the Interior, Department of Energy, and the U.S. Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality.

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1316, to revise and authorize funds for programs of the Safe Drinking Water Act, after receiving testimony from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Nebraska Governor E. Benjamin Nelson, Lincoln, and Ohio Governor George V. Voinovich, Columbus, both on behalf of the National Governors Association; Mayor Jeffrey N. Wennberg, Rutland, Vermont, on behalf of the National League of Cities and the National Association of Counties; Gurnie C. Gunter, Kansas City Department of Water Services, Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies; Erik D. Olson, Natural Resources Defense Council, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Campaign for Safe and Affordable Drinking Water; Donald Satchwell, East Green