

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S16713–S16759

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1397–1400. **Pages S16753–54**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1316, to reauthorize and amend title XIV of the Public Health Service Act (commonly known as the "Safe Drinking Water Act"), with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 104–169) **Page S16753**

Measures Passed:

Perishable Agricultural Commodities: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1103, entitled "Amendments to the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930", to modernize, streamline, and strengthen the operation of the Act, and the bill was passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S16758**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1833, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions. **Pages S16730–52**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, November 8, 1995. **Page S16758**

D.C. Appropriations, 1996—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of Friday, September 22, 1995, and Thursday, November 2, 1995, the Chair appointed conferees on H.R. 2546, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, as follows: Senators Jeffords, Campbell, Hatfield, Kohl, and Inouye. **Page S16724**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Markos K. Marinakis, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of the Panama Canal Commission.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:52 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 8, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S16758.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management held hearings on S. 590, to compensate a named individual for alleged losses incurred on a claim for a placer mine near the Frank Church wilderness area on the Middle Fork of the Salmon River in Idaho, S. 985, to provide for the exchange of certain lands in Gilpin County, Colorado, S. 1196, to transfer certain National Forest System lands adjacent to the Townsite of Cuprum, Idaho, and S. 1371, to provide for the exchange to the Sun Valley Company certain National Forest System lands adjacent to the Snowbasin Ski Resort in Salt Lake City, Utah to facilitate certain events at the 2002 Winter Olympics, receiving testimony from former Senator Garn; Gray F. Reynolds, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Wallace Huffman, Sun Valley Company, Sun Valley, Idaho; and G. Frank Joklik, Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Phillip A. Singerman, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, and

Rear Adm. John Carter Albright, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Singerman was introduced by Senators Santorum and Lieberman.

CONTINGENCY FEE ABUSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine certain contingency fee abuses and their effect on the tort system, receiving testimony from William Fry, Helping to Abolish Legal Tyranny (HALT), and Richard Vuernick, Citizen Action, both of Washington, D.C.; and Herbert M. Kritzer, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INDIAN LANDS/AMERICAN INDIAN POLICY INFORMATION CENTER

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment, S. 1341, to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona.

Also, committee concluded hearings on S. 1159, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1996 through 2000 to establish an American Indian Policy Information Center to provide for a centralized source of information and data to aid in developing Indian policy and to provide certain information to tribes, after receiving testimony from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Gary Kimble, Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans,

Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; W. Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Sequim, Washington, on behalf of the National Indian Policy Center; John Sunchild, Sr., Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation, Box Elder, Montana; Alvino Lucero, Pueblo of Isleta, Isleta, New Mexico; Charles Gourd, Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, Tahlequah; Roy Bernal, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Regis Pecos, Cochiti Pueblo, Cochiti, New Mexico, both on behalf of the All Indian Pueblo Council; and Charles Blackwell, Chickasaw Nation, Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

WHITEWATER

Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee resumed hearings to examine certain issues relative to the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, receiving testimony from Lloyd Bentsen, former Secretary of the Treasury; and John J. Adair, Inspector General, Patricia Black, Counsel, Steven A. Switzer, Deputy Inspector General, and Clark W. Blight, Assistant Inspector General for Investigation, all of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 2586–2593; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 115–117, H. Con. Res. 112, and H. Res. 254–255 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 994, to require the periodic review and automatic termination of Federal regulations, amended (H. Rept. 104–284, Part 2);

H.R. 1163, to authorize the exchange of National Park Service land in the Fire Island National Seashore in the State of New York for land in the Village of Patchogue, Suffolk County, New York, amended (H. Rept. 104–313);

H. Res. 256, waiving points of order against the conference report on S. 395, to authorize and direct

the Secretary of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration, and to authorize the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil (H. Rept. 104–314);

H.R. 657, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of three hydroelectric projects in the State of Arkansas (H. Rept. 104–315);

H.R. 680, to extend the time for construction of certain FERC licensed hydro projects (H. Rept. 104–316);

H.R. 1011, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Ohio (H. Rept. 104–317);

H.R. 1014, to authorize extension of time limitation for a FERC-issued hydroelectric license, amended (H. Rept. 104–318);