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Senate

The Senate met at 10 a.m., and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

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

Almighty God, Ultimate Sovereign of this Nation and of our lives, we commit this day to seek to know and do Your will. Our desire is to do what is best for our Nation. Help us to wait on You and listen patiently for Your voice whispering in our souls solutions for the complexities we face. Guide us to express our convictions with courage, but also with an openness to others. Give us humility to be more concerned to be on Your side than assuming You are on our side.

In the present conflict between the Congress and the President over the Federal budget, and with the looming crisis of governmental shutdown, we ask You to bless the negotiations of this day. Help the President and the leaders of the House and Senate to combine confrontation and compromise as they work together to find a solution to the present deadlock. We all have in common our trust in You and our dedication to serve our Nation. We relinquish our desire simply to win in a contest of wills. If we all seek You and Your righteousness, we know You will show us the answer. For Your name's sake and the good of America. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The distinguished Senator from New Hampshire.

SCHEDULE

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, this morning it is the leader's intention to

turn to the consideration of the House message to accompany House Joint Resolution 115, the continuing appropriations bill, and hopefully pass the resolution on a voice vote. Following the passage of the continuing resolution, the Senate would immediately begin consideration of the House message to accompany H.R. 2491, the budget reconciliation bill.

Four motions to instruct the conferees are in order: Regarding Social Security, health care, Medicare tax cuts, and nursing standards. There is a 1-hour time limitation on each motion. Votes will be stacked to begin no earlier than 5:30 p.m., today. And at 2 o'clock, following debate on the motions to instruct, the Senate will consider the House message on H.R. 927, the Cuban sanctions bill, in order to appoint conferees.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative check proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER [Mr. GREGG]. Without objection, it is so ordered.

THE 7-YEAR BALANCED BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1995

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives on a bill (H.R. 2491) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996.

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives.

Resolved, That the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2491) entitled "An Act to provide reconcili-

ation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996", and ask a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon.

Ordered, That the following Members be the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

For consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Kasich, Mr. Walker, Mr. Armey, Mr. DeLay, Mr. Boehner, Mr. Sabo, Mr. Bonior, and Mr. Stenholm.

As additional conferees from the Committee on the Budget, for consideration of title XX of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Kolbe, Mr. Shays, Mr. Hobson, Ms. Slaughter, and Mr. Coyne.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of title I of the House bill, and subtitles A-C of title I of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Gunderson, Mr. de la Garza, and [VACANCY].

As additional conferees from the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, for consideration of title II of the House bill, and title III of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Leach, Mr. McCollum, Mrs. Roukema, Mr. Gonzalez, and Mr. LaFalce.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Commerce, for consideration of title III of the House bill, and subtitle A of title IV, subtitles A and G of title V, and section 6004 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Bliley, Mr. Schaefer, and Mr. Dingell.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Commerce, for consideration of title XV of the House bill, and subtitle A of title VII of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Bliley, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Hastert, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Dingell, Mr. Waxman, and Mr. Pallone.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Commerce, for consideration of title XVI of the House bill, and subtitle B of title VII of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Bliley, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Tauzin, Mr. Barton of Texas, Mr. Paxon, Mr. Hall of Texas, Mr. Dingell, Mr. Waxman, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Pallone.

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