

Monday, December 18, 1995

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S18791–S18834*

**Measures Introduced:** One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 1484.

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### Measures Passed:

*Export Sanctions:* Senate passed S. 1228, to impose sanctions on foreign persons exporting petroleum products, natural gas, or related technology to Iran, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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*Bruce R. Thompson U.S. Courthouse:* Senate passed H.R. 395, to designate the United States courthouse and Federal building to be constructed at the southeastern corner of Liberty and South Virginia Streets in Reno, Nevada, as the "Bruce R. Thompson United States Courthouse and Federal Building", clearing the measure for the President.

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*Public Water Supply Compact:* Senate passed S.J. Res. 38, granting the consent of Congress to the Vermont-New Hampshire Interstate Public Water Supply Compact.

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**National Defense Authorizations Act—Conference Report:** Senate resumed consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1530, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

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A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Tuesday, December 19, 1995, with a vote to occur thereon.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

George W. Black, Jr., of Georgia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for the remainder of the term expiring December 31, 1996.

Patrick Davidson, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2000.

Townsend D. Wolfe, III, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2000.

Pascal D. Forgione, Jr., of Delaware, to be Commissioner of Education Statistics for a term expiring June 21, 1999.

Sarah McCracken Fox, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2000.

Robert E. Morin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Department of Defense nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, December 19, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S18831.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### WHITEWATER

*Special Committee To Investigate the Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters:* Committee re-

sumed hearings to examine certain matters relating to the Whitewater Development Corporation, receiving testimony from Susan P. Thomases, Wilke, Farr, and Gallagher, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 2800–2807; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 132–133, H. Con. Res. 122 were introduced. **Page H15087**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2689, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 301 West Main Street in Benton, Illinois, as the "James L. Foreman United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 104–410);

H.R. 2111, to designate the Social Security Administration's Western Program Service Center located at 1221 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, California, as the "Francis J. Hagel Building", amended (H. Rept. 104–411);

H.R. 2061, to designate the Federal building located at 1550 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, Oregon as the "David J. Wheeler Federal Building" (H. Rept. 104–412);

H.R. 1718, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 197 South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Rosenn United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 104–413);

H.R. 2481, to designate the Federal Triangle Project under construction at 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, as the "Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center" (H. Rept. 104–414);

H.R. 2415, to designate the United States Customs Administrative Building at the Ysleta/Zaragosa Port of Entry located at 979 South Ysleta in El Paso, Texas, as the "Timothy C. McCaghren Customs Administrative Building", amended (H. Rept. 104–415);

H.R. 2504, to designate the Federal Building located at the corner of Patton Avenue and Otis Street, and the United States Courthouse located on Otis Street, in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Veach-Baley Federal Complex" (H. Rept. 104–416);

H.R. 2547, to designate the United States courthouse located at 800 Market Street in Knoxville, Tennessee, as

the "Howard H. Baker, Jr. United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 104–417);

H.R. 2556, to redesignate the Federal building located at 345 Middlefield Road in Menlo Park, California, and known as the Earth Sciences and Library Building, as the "Vincent E. McKelvey Federal Building" (H. Rept. 104–418);

S. 368, to designate the Federal Courthouse in Decatur, Alabama, as the Seybourn H. Lynne Federal Courthouse" (H. Rept. 104–419);

S. 965, to designate the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria, Virginia, as the Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 104–420);

H.R. 2029, to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to provide regulatory relief, amended (H. Rept. 104–421);

Conference report on H.R. 2539, to abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission, to amend subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code, to reform economic regulation of transportation (H. Rept. 104–422);

H. Res. 309, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 122, setting forth a revised congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002 (H. Rept. 104–423);

H. Res. 310, expediting the commencement of committee hearing during the remainder of the first session of the One Hundred Fourth Congress (H. Rept. 104–424). **Pages H14993–H15056, H15066, H15087**

**Suspensions:** House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Stuttgart national agricultural research center:* H.R. 33, to transfer the Fish Farming Experimental Laboratory in Stuttgart, Arkansas, to the Department of Agriculture; **Pages H14965–66**

*Limiting State taxation of certain pension income:* H.R. 394, amended, to amend title 4 of the United States Code to limit taxation of certain pension income;

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*Au pair program:* S. 1465, to extend au pair programs; **Pages H14975–76**

*Max Rosenn courthouse:* H.R. 1718, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 197 South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania as the "Max Rosenn United States Courthouse"; **Pages H14976–77**

*David Wheeler Federal Building:* H.R. 2061, to designate the Federal building located at 1550 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, Oregon as the "David J. Wheeler Federal Building"; **Pages H14977–78**

*Francis J. Hagel Building:* H.R. 2111, amended, to designate the Social Security Administration's Western Programs Service Center located at 12221 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, California, as the "Francis J. Hagel Building". Agreed to amend the title; **Page H14978**

*Timothy McCaghren Administrative Building:* H.R. 2415, amended, to designate the United States Customs Administrative Building at the Ysleta/Zaragoza Port of Entry located at 797 South Ysleta in El Paso, Texas, as the "Timothy McCaghren Customs Administrative Building". Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H14978–79**

*Ronald Reagan Building:* H.R. 2481, to designate the Federal Triangle Project under construction at 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, as the "Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center"; **Pages H14979–80**

*Veach-Baley Federal Complex:* H.R. 2504, to designate the Federal Building located at the corner of Patton Avenue and Otis Street, and the United States Courthouse located on Otis Street, in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Veach-Baley Federal Complex"; **Pages H14980–81**

*Howard H. Baker, Jr. Courthouse:* H.R. 2547, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 800 Market Street in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Howard H. Baker, Jr. United States Courthouse"; **Pages H14981–82**

*Vincent E. McKelvey Federal Building:* H.R. 2556, to redesignate the Federal building located at 345 Middlefield Road in Menlo Park, California, and known as the Earth Sciences and Library Building, as the "Vincent E. McKelvey Federal Building"; **Page H14982**

*James L. Foreman Courthouse:* H.R. 2689, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 301 West Main Street in Benton, Illinois, as the "James L. Foreman United States Courthouse"; **Pages H14982–83**

*Seybourn H. Lynn Federal Courthouse:* S. 369, to designate the Federal Courthouse in Decatur, Alabama, as the "Seybourn H. Lynn Federal Courthouse"—clearing the measure for the President; **Page H14983**

*Dayton area health plan:* H.R. 1878, amended, to extend for two years the period of applicability or enrollment mix requirement to certain health maintenance organizations providing services under Dayton Area Health Plan. Agreed to amend the title: and **Pages H14983–84**

*Albert V. Bryan Courthouse:* S. 965, to designate the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria, Virginia, as the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse"—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H14984–85**

**Housing for Older Persons:** House voted to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 660, to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons. **Pages H14966–67, H14972**

**Recess:** House recessed at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened at 4:26 p.m. **Page H14985**

**Balanced Budget:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 351 yeas to nays, Roll No. 866, the House voted to suspend the rules and pass H.J. Res. 132, affirming that budget negotiations shall be based on the most recent technical and economic assumptions of the Congressional Budget Office and shall achieve a balanced budget by fiscal year 2002 based on those assumptions. **Pages H14986–93**

**Presidential Veto Message—Interior Appropriations:** Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–147). **Pages H15057–61**

Agreed to the Regula motion to refer the message and the accompanying bill to the Committee on Appropriations. **Pages H15057–61**

**Presidential Veto Message—Veterans Affairs/ HUD:** Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, and commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–148). **Pages H15061–65**

Agreed to the Lewis of California motion to refer the message and the accompanying bill to the Committee on Appropriations. **Pages H15062–65**

**Referral:** One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee. **Page H15086**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H14965.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One ye-a-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H14992–93.

**Adjournment:** Reconvened at noon and adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### WEI JINGSHENG IMPRISONMENT

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on the Trial, Conviction, and Imprisonment of Wei Jingsheng: How Should It Affect United States Policy? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### PRIVATE CLAIMS BILLS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims met to consider private claims bills.

### EXPEDITING COMMENCEMENT OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS

*Committee on Rules:* Ordered reported, by a vote of 6 to 3, a resolution waiving the provisions of clause 2(g)(3) of rule XI (requiring at least one week's notice for a committee hearing except by the concurrence of the ranking minority member or vote of the committee) for the remainder of the 1st Session of the 104th Congress.

### REVISED BUDGET RESOLUTION

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 6 to 1, a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate on H. Con. Res. 122, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kasich and Representative Bass.

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### BILLS VETOED

H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. (Vetoed December 18, 1995.)

H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. (Vetoed December 18, 1995.)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings to review the current situation in Bosnia, 10 a.m., SD–192.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SD–406.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to hold hearings to examine trends in youthful drug use, 10:30 a.m., SD–226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD–226.

### NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see page E2383 in today's Record.

### House

*Committee on Resources,* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1129, to amend the National Trails Systems Act to designate the route from Selma to Montgomery as a National Historic Trail; H.R. 2107, Visitor Services Improvement and Outdoor Legacy Act of 1995; H.R. 194, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make matching contributions toward the purchase of the Sterling Forest in the State of New York and H.R. 1527, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authorities and duties of the Secretary of Agriculture in issuing ski area permits on National Forest System lands and to withdraw lands within ski area permit boundaries from the operation of the mining and mineral leasing laws, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Salvage Timber and Forest Health Task Force, hearing on Salvage Timber and Forest Health focusing on Southern Salvage and Forest Health Issues, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,* to continue hearings on IC21: The Intelligence Community in the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Conferees,* on H.R. 1655, to authorize funds for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, 3 p.m., S–407, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE  
9:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 19

Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will resume consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1530, National Defense Authorizations Act, with a vote to occur thereon.

Senate may resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2127, Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations, 1996, with a cloture vote scheduled to occur thereon. (Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
9 a.m., Tuesday, December 19

House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the following 13 Suspensions:

1. H. Con. Res. 91, Sense of Congress on U.S. participation in Expo 98 in Lisbon, Portugal;
2. H. Res. 274, concerning Burma and the U.N. General Assembly;

3. H.R. , Middle East Peace facilitation extension;
4. H.R. 2627, Smithsonian Institution Sesquicentennial Commemorative Coin Act of 1995;
5. H.R. 2203, reauthorizing the Tied-Aid Credit Program of the Export-Import Bank;
6. H. Res. , providing provisional approval for regulations protecting House Employees;
7. H. Con. Res. , providing provisional approval for regulations protecting employees of Joint Congressional offices;
8. H. Con. Res. 106, permitting use of the Rotunda for a ceremony to commemorate the Holocaust;
9. H.R. 1398, designating the Charles J. Coyle Post Office Building;
10. H.R. 1880, designating the Edward Madigan Post Office Building;
11. H.R. 2262, designating the Holk Post Office Building;
12. H.R. 2704, designating the Charles A. Hayes Post Office Building; and
13. H.R. 2029, Farm Credit System Regulatory Relief Act of 1995.

Revised consideration of H. Con. Res. 122, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002 (closed rule, 2 hours of general debate).

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