

Wednesday, April 24, 1996

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 15 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4003–S4093

Measures Introduced: Five bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1697–1701, S. Res. 250, S. Con. Res. 54–56. **Page S4063**

Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 54, to correct the enrollment of S. 735, to prevent and punish acts of terrorism. **Pages S4016–17**

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Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate agreed to H.J. Res. 175, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1996, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S4047–48**

Higher Education Grant Program: Senate passed H.R. 3055, to amend section 326 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to permit continued participation by Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools in the grant program authorized by that section, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4092**

Illegal Immigration Reform: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1664, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase control over immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel and detention facilities, improving the system used by employers to verify citizenship or work-authorized alien status, increasing penalties for alien smuggling and document fraud, and reforming asylum, exclusion, and deportation law and procedures; and to reduce the use of welfare by aliens, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S4012–16, S4017–47, S4049–59**

Adopted:

Simpson Amendment No. 3726 (to Amendment No. 3725), to establish a pilot program to collect in-

formation relating to nonimmigrant foreign students. **Pages S4014–16, S4017**

Simpson Amendment No. 3727 (to Amendment No. 3725), to create new ground of exclusion and of deportation for falsely claiming U.S. citizenship. **Pages S4017–18**

Simpson Amendment No. 3728 (to Amendment No. 3725), to criminalize voting by aliens for candidates for a Federal office, and to make unlawful voting a ground for exclusion and deportation. **Pages S4018–19**

Simpson Amendment No. 3729 (to Amendment No. 3725), to prohibit foreign students on F–1 visas from obtaining free public elementary or secondary education. **Pages S4019–20**

By 92 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 81), Simpson Modified Amendment No. 3672 (to Amendment No. 3667), in the nature of a substitute. (Subsequently, the amendment fell after having been incorporated into Amendment No. 3667, listed below, which was tabled.) **Pages S4012–16, S4049–55**

Kyl Amendment No. 3735 (to Amendment No. 3725), to require physical and mental examinations for certain aliens seeking entry into the United States. **Pages S4056–58**

Rejected:

By 20 yeas to 79 nays (Vote No. 80), Simpson Amendment No. 3730 (to Amendment No. 3725), to repeal the ban on the search of open-fields by employees of the INS when they have probable cause to believe an illegal act has occurred. **Pages S4020–47**

Dorgan Amendment No. 3667, to express the sense of the Senate that a balanced budget constitutional amendment should protect the Social Security system by excluding the receipts and outlays of the Social Security trust funds from the budget. (By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 82), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4012–16, S4049–55**

Withdrawn:

Kennedy Amendment No. 3734 (to Amendment No. 3725), to provide for an increase in the minimum wage rate. **Page S4056**

Pending:
 Simpson Amendment No. 3669, to prohibit foreign students on F-1 visas from obtaining free public elementary or secondary education. **Pages S4012-16**
 Simpson Amendment No. 3670, to establish a pilot program to collect information relating to non-immigrant foreign students. **Pages S4012-16**
 Simpson Amendment No. 3671, to create new ground of exclusion and of deportation for falsely claiming U.S. citizenship. **Pages S4012-16**
 Simpson Amendment No. 3722 (to Amendment No. 3669), in the nature of a substitute.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3723 (to Amendment No. 3670), in the nature of a substitute.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3724 (to Amendment No. 3671), in the nature of a substitute.

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Simpson motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith.

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Simpson Amendment No. 3725 (to instructions of motion to recommit), to prohibit foreign students on F-1 visas from obtaining free public elementary or secondary education. **Pages S4014-16, S4017-47**

Coverdell (for Dole/Coverdell) Amendment No. 3737 (to Amendment No. 3725), to establish grounds for deportation for offenses of domestic violence, stalking, crimes against children, and crimes of sexual violence without regard to the length of sentence imposed. **Pages S4058-59**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

A motion was entered to close further debate on Dorgan Amendment No. 3667, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Friday, April 26, 1996.

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Subsequently, the aforementioned cloture motion become moot upon the tabling of Amendment No. 3667.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, April 25, 1996.

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Measure Indefinitely Postponed:

Vessel Documentation: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. 1298, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel SHOOTER, and the measure was indefinitely postponed.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total-82)	Pages S4047, S4055

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:05 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 25, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4092.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army programs, receiving testimony from Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary of the Army; and Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, Chief of Army Staff.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 1.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Forest Service, receiving testimony from Jack Ward Thomas, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 2.

DISTANCE LEARNING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings on S. 1278, to establish an education satellite loan guarantee program for communications among education, Federal, State, and local institutions and agencies and instructional and educational resource providers, focusing on the effectiveness and value of distance learning (delivery of instruction via cable, fiber optic, microwave, or satellite connection) and how major technological and