

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate agreed to Omnibus Appropriations Conference Report.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4095–S4267

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1702–1710, and S. Res. 251 and 252. **Page S4190**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1611, to establish the Kentucky National Wildlife Refuge. (S. Rept. No. 104–257)

S. Res. 217, to designate the first Friday in May 1996, as “American Foreign Service Day” in recognition of the men and women who have served or are presently serving in the American Foreign Service, and to honor those in the American Foreign Service who have given their lives in the line of duty.

S. 966, for the relief of Nathan C. Vance.

S. 1624, to reauthorize the Hate Crime Statistics Act.

S. Con. Res. 56, recognizing the tenth anniversary of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, and supporting the closing of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant.

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 166, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Washington for Jesus 1996 prayer rally. **Page S4262**

Acknowledging Law Enforcement Service: Senate agreed to S. Res. 251, to commemorate and acknowledge the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers. **Page S4262**

Continental Basketball Association Champions: Senate agreed to S. Res. 252, to congratulate the Sioux Falls Skyforce, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on winning the 1996 Continental Basketball Association Championship. **Pages S4263–64**

Chernobyl Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 56, commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster. **Pages S4264–65**

Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act: Senate passed H.R. 2024, to phase out the use of mercury in batteries and provide for the efficient and cost-effective collection and recycling or proper disposal of used nickel cadmium batteries, small sealed lead-acid batteries, and certain other batteries. **Pages S4265–66**

Illegal Immigration Reform: Senate continued 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 S4116–56, S4160–62, S4180**

Adopted:

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 S4116, S4150**

Rejected:

By 20 yeas to 80 nays (Vote No. 83), Simpson Amendment No. 3739 (to Amendment No. 3725), to provide for temporary numerical limits on family-sponsored immigrant visas, a temporary priority-based system of allocating family-sponsored immigrant visas, and a temporary per-country limit. **Pages S4116–50**

Feinstein/Boxer Amendment No. 3740 (to Amendment No. 3725), to limit and improve the

system for the admission of family-sponsored immigrants. (By 74 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 84), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page S4151**

Simpson motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith. (By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 85), Senate tabled the motion.) **Pages S4116, S4154–55**

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. (The amendment fell when the motion to recommit was tabled.) **Page S4116**

Simpson Amendment No. 3669, to prohibit foreign students on F–1 visas from obtaining free public elementary or secondary education. (By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 86), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4116, S4155–56**

Simpson Amendment No. 3670, to establish a pilot program to collect information relating to non-immigrant foreign students. (By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 87), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4116, S4156**

Simpson Amendment No. 3671, to create new ground of exclusion and of deportation for falsely claiming U.S. citizenship. (By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 88), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4116, S4156**

Simpson Amendment No. 3722 (to Amendment No. 3669), in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 3669, listed above, was tabled.) **Page S4116**

Simpson Amendment No. 3723 (to Amendment No. 3670), in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 3670, listed above, was tabled.) **Page S4116**

Simpson Amendment No. 3724 (to Amendment No. 3671), in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment fell when amendment No. 3671, listed above, was tabled.) **Page S4116**

Pending:

Dole (for Simpson) Amendment No. 3743, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S4160–61**

Dole (for Simpson) Amendment No. 3744 (to Amendment No. 3743), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S4160–61**

Dole Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith. **Pages S4160–61**

Lott Amendment No. 3745 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), to require the report to Congress on detention space to state the amount of detention space available in each of the preceding 10 years. **Pages S4160–61**

Dole Modified Amendment No. 3746 (to Amendment No. 3745), to authorize the use of volunteers to assist in the administration of naturalization pro-

grams, port of entry adjudications, and criminal alien removal. **Pages S4160–61, S4180**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 3743 and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, April 29, 1996. **Pages S4160–61**

A second motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 3743 and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the second cloture motion could occur on Tuesday, April 30, 1996. **Pages S4160–61**

Omnibus Appropriations—Conference Report: By 88 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 89), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S4156–60**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy. **Page S4267**

Messages From the House: **Pages S4187–88**

Measures Referred: **Page S4188**

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Authority for Committees: **Pages S4249–50**

Additional Statements: **Pages S4950–62**

Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total–89) **Pages S4150, S4153, S4154–56, S4159–60**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:20 p.m., until 11:30 a.m., on Monday, April 29, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4267.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal