

Tuesday, September 3, 1996

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate agreed to Legislative Branch Appropriations Conference Report.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9681–S9775

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2049–2051. **Page S9742**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Reported on Tuesday, August 27, during the adjournment:

S. 1376, to terminate unnecessary and inequitable Federal corporate subsidies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–352)

H.R. 3814, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 104–353)

S. 94, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to prohibit the consideration of retroactive tax increases, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 104–354)

S. 1972, to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to improve the provisions relating to Indians. (S. Rept. No. 104–355)

S. 1983, to amend the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to provide for Native Hawaiian organizations. (S. Rept. No. 104–356)

Report to accompany S. 982, National Information Infrastructure Protection Act. (S. Rept. No. 104–357)

Report to accompany S. 1237, Child Pornography Protection Act. (S. Rept. No. 104–358)

Report to accompany S. 1556, Industrial Espionage Act. (S. Rept. No. 104–359) **Page S9742**

Reported today:

S. 1893, to provide for the settlement of issues and claims related to the trust lands of the Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians. (S. Rept. No. 104–360)

H.R. 3068, to accept the request of the Prairie Island Indian Community to revoke their charter of incorporation issued under the Indian Reorganization

Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–361) **Page S9742**

VA/HUD Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 3666, 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, 1997, agreeing to committee amendments, with certain exceptions, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S9691–S9735**

Adopted:

Bond Amendment No. 5157 (to committee amendment on page 72, line 10), to increase funding for Environmental Protection Agency drinking water State revolving funds. **Page S9707**

Bond Amendment No. 5158 (to committee amendment on page 85, line 15), to modify language providing NASA authority to provide special incentive payments to encourage voluntary retirements to extent necessary to avoid a reduction in force (RIF), subject to a \$25,000 limitation, with a further limitation to assure not net increase in Federal expenditures. **Pages S9707–08**

Bond Amendment No. 5159 (to committee amendment on page 104, lines 18 through 20), to permit a demonstration of application of a streamlined formula to calculate down payment requirements for the Federal Housing Administration home mortgage guarantee program in Alaska and Hawaii and to provide for the delegation of single family insuring authority to direct endorsement mortgagees. **Page S9708**

Bond/Byrd Amendment No. 5160, to enable FEMA to continue writing flood insurance policies after September 30, 1996. **Pages S9708–11**

Bond/Cohen/Snowe Amendment No. 5161, of a technical nature. **Pages S9708–11**

Bond/Burns/Mikulski) Amendment No. 5162, to express the sense of the Senate regarding imports of reformulated and conventional gasoline.

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Bond (for Mack/Graham/Lieberman) Amendment No. 5163, to allow EPA's National Estuary Program funds to be used for implementing cleanup plans for fiscal year 1997 and prior years.

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Bond (for Craig/Sarbanes/Moseley-Braun/Kerry/Murray) Amendment No. 5164, to clarify funds appropriated for low-income housing preservation.

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Bond (for Kerry/Domenici) Amendment No. 5165, to set forth an earmark of \$50 million for vouchers for displaced disabled individuals or families currently in buildings being converted to "all elderly."

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Bond Amendment No. 5166, of a technical nature.

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Bond Amendment No. 5175, to provide HUD authority to provide special incentive payments to encourage voluntary retirements to extent necessary to avoid a reduction in force (RIF), subject to a \$25,000 limitation.

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Pending:

Bond Amendment No. 5167, to further amend certain provisions relating to housing.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, September 4, 1996.

Legislative Branch—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3754, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, clearing the measure for the President.

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The Senate receded from its amendments numbered 9, 20, 23, and 24.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Wyche Fowler, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,

to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

John E. Higgins, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2001.

Mary Lucille Jordan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2002.

Heidi H. Schulman, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

Kevin L. Thurm, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services.

23 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

94 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admirals.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy.

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Text of S. 1559, S. 1662, H.R. 3269 as Previously Passed:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 5:49 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 4, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9765).

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.