

Monday, July 7, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6875–S6953

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 986–990. **Page S6907**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Reported on Tuesday, July 1, during the adjournment:

Report to accompany S. 507, to establish the United States Patent and Trademark Organization as a Government corporation, and to amend the provisions of title 35, United States Code, relating to procedures for patent applications, commercial use of patents, and reexamination reform. (S. Rept. No. 105–42)

S. 830, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, and biological products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–43) **Page S6907**

DOD Authorizations: Senate continued consideration of S. 936, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 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, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S6877–S6906**

Adopted:

Thurmond Amendment No. 718, to increase the amount required to be derived from sales of strategic and critical materials in the National Defense Stockpile by fiscal year 2007. **Page S6885**

Levin Amendment No. 719, to clarify the protections relating to disclosures of classified information to Congress or the Department of Justice by contractor employees. **Page S6886**

Thurmond Amendment No. 720, to prohibit the provision of burial benefits to individuals convicted of Federal capital offenses. **Page S6886**

Levin (for Byrd) Amendment No. 721, to provide the force structure necessary for maintaining five Air National Guard C–130 aircraft units with 12 primary aircraft authorized, one each at Martinsburg, West Virginia, Louisville, Kentucky, Charlotte, North Carolina, Nashville, Tennessee, and Channel Island, California, and for preserving the number of primary aircraft authorized for Air Force Reserve C–130 aircraft units at General Mitchell International Airport and Air Reserve Station, Wisconsin, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado, and Willow Grove Air Reserve Station, Pennsylvania. **Pages S6886–87**

Thurmond (for Allard) Amendment No. 722, to modify authority for the conveyance of certain lands at Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colorado. **Page S6887**

Levin (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 723, to require a study of eye safety at small arms firing ranges of the Armed Forces and the development of an eye injury reporting protocol for the ranges. **Pages S6887–88**

Thurmond (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 724, to extend to the Secretary of Transportation the authority to pay a reserve affiliation agreement bonus. **Pages S6888–89**

Thurmond (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 725, to increase the number of years of commissioned service provided for mandatory retirement of generals and admirals serving in grades above major general and rear admiral. **Page S6889**

Thurmond (for Shelby) Amendment No. 726, to authorize a land conveyance at the Army Reserve Center, Greensboro, Alabama. **Pages S6889–90**

Thurmond (for Campbell) Amendment No. 727, to require the display of the POW/MIA flag on various occasions and in various locations. **Page S6890**

Thurmond (for McCain) Amendment No. 728, to provide a Federal charter for the Air Force Sergeants Association in the District of Columbia. **Pages S6890–91**

Pending:

Cochran/Durbin Amendment No. 420, to require a license to export computers with composite theoretical performance equal to or greater than 2,000 million theoretical operations per second.

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Grams Amendment No. 422 (to Amendment No. 420), to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the availability and potential risks relating to the sale of certain computers.

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Coverdell (for Inhofe/Coverdell/Cleland) Amendment No. 423, to define depot-level maintenance and repair, to limit contracting for depot-level maintenance and repair at installations approved for closure or realignment in 1995, and to modify authorities and requirements relating to the performance of core logistics functions.

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Lugar Modified Amendment No. 658, to increase (with offsets) the funding, and to improve the authority, for cooperative threat reduction programs and related Department of Energy programs.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, July 8, 1997.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 Noon and adjourned at 5:10 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, July 8, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6953.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 8 for Morning Hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D643)

H.R. 956, to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth. Signed June 27, 1997. (P.L. 105–20)

H.J. Res. 32, to consent to certain amendments enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920. Signed June 27, 1997. (P.L. 105–21)

S. 342, to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices. Signed June 27, 1997. (P.L. 105–22)

H.R. 363, to amend section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to extend the Electric and Magnetic Fields Research and Public Information Dissemination Program. Signed July 3, 1997. (P.L. 105–23)

H.R. 1306, to amend Federal law to clarify the applicability of host State laws to any branch in such State of an out-of-State bank. Signed July 3, 1997. (P.L. 105–24)

H.R. 1553, to amend the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 to extend the authorization of the Assassination Records Review Board until September 30, 1998. Signed July 3, 1997. (P.L. 105–25)

H.R. 1902, to immunize donations made in the form of charitable gift annuities and charitable remainder trusts from the antitrust laws and State laws similar to the antitrust laws.

Signed July 3, 1997. (P.L. 105–26)