

Monday, July 21, 1997

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S7743–S7784*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1038–1044 and S.J. Res. 35. Pages S7767–68

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 98, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the conditions for the United States becoming a signatory to any international agreement on greenhouse gas emissions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. (S. Rept. No. 105–54) Page S7767

**Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1998:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 1023, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S7763–65, S7783

**Adopted:**

Campbell (for Coverdell/Feinstein) Amendment No. 940, to provide that Federal employees convicted of certain bribery and drug-related crimes shall be separated from service. Page S7765

Campbell (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 941, to require a plan for the coordination and consolidation of the counterdrug intelligence centers and activities of the United States. Page S7765

Campbell (for Hatch) Modified Amendment No. 942, to provide for a national media campaign focused on preventing youth drug abuse. Page S7765

Hutchison Modified Amendment No. 943, to establish parity among the countries that are parties to the North American Free Trade Agreement with respect to the personal allowance for duty-free merchandise purchased abroad by returning residents. Pages S7764–65

**Pending:**

Campbell (for DeWine) Amendment No. 936, to prohibit the use of funds to pay for an abortion or pay for the administrative expenses in connection with certain health plans that provide coverage for abortions. Page S7763

Kohl (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 937, to strike provisions prohibiting the use of appropriated funds for the sole source procurement of energy conservation measures. Page S7763

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

By unanimous-consent agreement, Amendment No. 921, agreed to on Thursday, July 17, 1997, was modified. Pages S7764–65

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Tuesday, July 22, 1997, with final disposition to occur thereon. Page S7783

**VA/HUD Appropriations, 1998:** Senate began consideration of S. 1034, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Pages S7752–63, S7765

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, July 22, 1997.

**Intelligence Authorizations—Conferees:** Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 858, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: from the Select Committee on Intelligence: Senators Shelby, Chafee, Lugar, DeWine, Kyl, Inhofe, Hatch, Roberts, Allard, Coats, Kerrey, Glenn, Bryan, Graham, Kerry, Baucus, Robb, Lautenberg, and Levin; and from the Committee on Armed Services: Senator Thurmond. Pages S7780–83

**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the continuation of most-favored-nation status for Mongolia; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–54).

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

Raymond C. Fisher, of California, to be Associate Attorney General.

Bill Lann Lee, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Harold C. Pachios, of Maine, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 1999.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

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**Additional Statements:** Pages S7777–80

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 5:53 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, July 22, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S7783–84.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

*Committee on Appropriations:* On Friday, July 18, Subcommittee on Interior approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

### ARMS CONTROL COMPLIANCE REVIEW PROCESS

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the Department of Defense arms control compliance review process by which the United States determines whether its missile defense systems, including both Theater Missile Defense and National Missile Defense, comply with the obligations of international agreements, including the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, after receiving testimony from Kent G. Stansberry, Deputy Director, Arms Control Implementation and Compliance, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 2204, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 191, were introduced. Page H5491

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

H.R. 2203, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–190);

H.R. 1127, to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres, amended (H. Rept. 105–191);

H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93–632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law, amended (H. Rept. 105–192);

H.R. 1944, to provide for a land exchange involving the Warner Canyon Ski Area and other land in the State of Oregon (H. Rept. 105–193); and

H.R. 1661, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty, amended (H. Rept. 105–194).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Presidential Message—MFN For Mongolia:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the most-favored-nation status for Mongolia—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed—H. Doc. 105–108.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H5491.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.