

Friday, February 27, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1691–1693, and S. Res. 186. **Page S1155**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S1147–50, S1154**

Adopted:

Bond Amendment No. 1677 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that, in funding natural habitat and wetland mitigation efforts related to Federal-aid highway projects, a preference be given, to the maximum extent practicable, to the use of certain mitigation banks. **Pages S1148–50**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, March 2, 1998.

Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act—Conferees: The Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the follow-

ing conferees: Senators Lugar, Cochran, Coverdell, Harkin, and Leahy. **Pages S1135–47**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:43 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page S1173.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings on budget requests for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony on behalf of funds for their respective operations from Earl A. Powell III, Director, National Gallery of Art; Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; and Daniel P. Mulhollan, Director, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, March 4.

House of Representatives

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The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 2.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.