

Monday, March 16, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1963–S2082

Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1761–1767. Page S1990

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. Page S1988

A second motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the motion could occur on Wednesday, March 18, 1998. Page S1988

Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, with a vote on the motion close further debate on the motion to proceed to occur at 12:15. Page S2082

Appointments:

Library of Congress Trust Fund Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 102–246, appointed John W. Kluge, of New York, as a member of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board. Page S2082

Nomination-Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the nomination of Susan Graber, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, to occur at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 1998. Page S2082

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 90 yeas (Vote No. 33EX), Jeremy D. Fogel, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California. Pages S1986–88

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which was sent to the Senate on July 31, 1997. Page S2082

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

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-111). Pages S1988–89

Transmitting a report of the fiscal year 1999 budget request of the District of Columbia Courts; referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-112). Page S1990

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—33) Page S1988

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page S2082.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PREDATORY LENDING PRACTICES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the lending practices of the subprime lending market which provides loans to high risk borrowers, focusing on how senior citizens are targeted by unscrupulous lenders, after receiving testimony from Jodie Bernstein, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Gene A. Marsh, University of Alabama Law School,