

Friday, May 14, 1999

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Conference Report on H.R. 1141, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Filed

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5321–S5392

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1053–1057. **Page S5371**

Juvenile Justice: Senate continued consideration of S. 254, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by rehabilitation of juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S5321–33, S5335–50

Adopted:

By 48 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 118), Hatch/Craig Amendment No. 344, to provide for effective gun law enforcement, enhanced penalties, and facilitation of background checks at gun shows.

Pages S5321–26

Rejected:

Schumer Amendment No. 350, to amend title 18, United States Code, to regulate the transfer of firearms over the Internet. (By 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 119), Senate tabled the amendment).

Pages S5321, S5326–27

Pending:

Lott (for Allard) Amendment No. 351, to allow the erecting of an appropriate and constitutional permanent memorial on the campus of any public school to honor students and teachers who have been murdered at the school and to allow students, faculty, and administrative staff of a public school to hold an appropriate and constitutional memorial service on their campus to honor students and teachers who have been murdered at their school.

Pages S5330–33

Kohl/Hatch/Chafee Amendment No. 352, to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to require the provision of a secure gun storage or safety device in connection with the transfer of a handgun. **Pages S5335–36**

Hatch/Feinstein Amendment No. 353, authorizing funds for programs to combat gang violence. **Pages S5336–41**

Byrd/Kohl Amendment No. 339, to provide for injunctive relief in Federal district court to enforce State laws relating to the interstate transportation of intoxicating liquor. **Pages S5342–45**

Feinstein Amendment No. 354, to modify the laws relating to interstate shipment of intoxicating liquors. **Pages S5345–46**

Frist Amendment No. 355, to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 to authorize schools to apply appropriate discipline measures in cases where students have firearms. **Pages S5346–50**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further amendments to be proposed to the bill. **Pages S5328–29**

Y2K Act: Senate began consideration of a motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 96, to regulate commerce between and among the several States by providing for the orderly resolution of disputes arising out of computer-based problems related to processing data that includes a 2-digit expression of that year's date. **Pages S5333–35**

A 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 cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, May 18, 1999. **Page S5333**

Appointments:

Women's Progress Commemoration Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-341, announced the appointment of the following individuals to the Women's Progress Commemoration Commission: Joan Doran Hedrick, of Connecticut, Lisa Perry, of New York, and Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve, of South Dakota.

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Statements on Introduced Bills: Pages S5371-81

Additional Cosponsors: Pages S5381-82

Amendments Submitted: Pages S5382-88

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—119) Pages S5326-27

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 3:29 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, May 17, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5389.)

Committee Meetings*(Committees not listed did not meet)***APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense resumed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from numerous public witness.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 19.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: On Thursday, May 13, committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill entitled "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000";

An original bill entitled "Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000";

An original bill entitled "Military Construction Act for Fiscal Year 2000"; and

An original bill entitled "Department of Energy National Security Act for Fiscal Year 2000".

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 1817-1824, were introduced. Page H3211

Reports Filed: One Report was filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 106-143).

Pages H3175-S3202, H3211

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

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Meeting Hour—Monday, May 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 17. Page H3174

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18 for morning-hour debates. Page H3174

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business on May 19. Page H3174

Recess: The House recessed at 9:15 a.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m. Page H3175

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

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings**TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government approved for full Committee action the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

Joint Meetings**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Conferees on Thursday, May 13, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1141, making

emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 20, 1999.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 17 through May 22, 1999

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate expects to resume consideration of S. 254, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by rehabilitation of juvenile criminals, punish and deter violent gang crime.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 96, Y2K Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to consider the conference report on H.R. 1141, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, S. 96, Y2K Act, S. 625, Bankruptcy Reform and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

(On *Tuesday*, Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for their respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: May 18, Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings on noxious weeds and plant pests, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: May 19, Subcommittee on Defense, to resume hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-192.

May 19, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for foreign assistance programs, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

May 20, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to continue hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for foreign assistance programs, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 18, to hold hearings on television violence and safe harbor legislation, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 97, to require the installation and use by schools and libraries of a technology for filtering or blocking material on the Internet on computers with Internet access to be eligible to receive or retain universal service assistance, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 20, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on issues relating to commercial space, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 18, Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on S. 924, entitled the "Federal Royalty Certainty Act", 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

May 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 19, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold oversight hearings on the status of Youth Conservation Corps and other job programs conducted by the National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2 p.m., SD-366.

May 20, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine damage to the national security from alleged Chinese espionage at the Department of Energy nuclear weapons laboratories, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 20, Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on S. 348, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public, 2 p.m., SD-366.

May 20, Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform's Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, on the Administration's fiscal year 2000 budget request for climate change programs and compliance with various statutory provisions in fiscal year 1999 appropriations acts requiring detailed accounting of climate change spending and performance measures for each requested increase in funding, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 18, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed sulfur standard for gasoline as contained in the proposed Tier Two standards for automobiles, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

May 20, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to resume hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed sulfur standard for gasoline as contained in the proposed Tier Two standards for automobiles, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: May 18, to resume oversight hearings on United States Customs, focusing on commercial operations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 20, business meeting to consider S. 746, to provide for analysis of major rules, to promote the public's right to know the costs and benefits of major rules, and to increase the accountability of quality of Government; S. 59, to provide Government-wide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits; S. 468, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public; the nomination of Eric T. Washington, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals; the nomination of Stephen H. Glickman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals; the nomination of Hiram E. Puig-Lugo, of the

District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; and the nomination of John T. Spotila, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD-342.

May 20, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the national security methods and processes relating to the Wen-Ho Lee espionage investigation, 2:30 p.m., Room to be announced.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 18, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-628.

May 20, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 19, to hold hearings on S. 614, to provide for regulatory reform in order to encourage investment, business, and economic development with respect to activities conducted on Indian lands; and S. 613, to encourage Indian economic development, to provide for the disclosure of Indian tribal sovereign immunity in contracts involving Indian tribes, and for other purposes, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 19, to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 18, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings on the protection of United States nuclear weapons information, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: May 20, to hold hearings on proposals relating to cost of living adjustments in VA compensation and other benefits, improvements in Veterans' educational assistance benefits, long term care and homeless Veterans services, eligibility for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, WWII Memorial on the Mall, and U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans claims retirement provisions, 2:15 p.m., SR-418.

House Chamber

Monday, Pro Forma Session.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Subject to rules being granted: Consideration of the Conference Report on H.R. 1141, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations; H.R. 1654, NASA Authorization; H.R. 1553, National Weather Service and Related Agencies Authorization, and H.R. 883, American Land Sovereignty Protection Act.

Friday, No votes are expected.

Any Further Program Will Be Announced Later.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 18, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review U.S. Forest Service payments to counties, 1 p.m., 1302 Longworth.

May 18, 19 and 20, Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research and Specialty Crops, hearings on Com-

modity Futures Trading Commission Reauthorization, 3 p.m., on May 18, 10 a.m., on May 19 and 9:30 a.m., on May 20, 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 18, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on D.C. Courts, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, May 18, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, to mark up H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2000 and 2001, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 18, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to mark up H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2000 and 2001, 4 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 19, full committee, to mark up H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2000 and 2001, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, May 20 and 21, hearings on key international financial issues, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, May 20, hearing on the Budget Process, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, May 19, to mark up H.R. 1180, Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 19, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on the Chemical Safety Information and Site Security Act of 1999, 2 p.m., or following full Committee, 2123 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to continue hearings on Electricity Competition, focusing on PURPA, Stranded Costs, and the Environment, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Threat of Bioterrorism in America: Assessing the Adequacy of Federal Law Relating to Dangerous Biological Agents, 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Federal Communications Commission Reform: The States' Perspective, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 18, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on School Violence: Views of Students and the Community, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 19, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning, hearing on H.R. 782, Older Americans Act Amendments Act of 1999, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 19, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1459, Models of Safety and Health Excellence Act of 1999; H.R. 1439, Safety and Health Audit Promotion and Whistleblower Improvement Act of 1999; H.R. 987, Workplace Preservation Act; and H.R. 1381, Rewarding Performance in Compensation Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 20, full committee, hearing on Academic Achievement for All: Increasing Flexibility and Improving Student Performance and Accountability, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, May 18, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on Hepatitis B Vaccine: Is the Vaccine Helping or Hurting Public Health? 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

May 18, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on Oversight of Customer Service at the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 19, full Committee, to consider pending business, 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 19, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, oversight hearing on the Minerals Management Service's Royalty Valuation Program, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on School Violence: What is Being Done to Combat School Violence? What Should be Done? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, May 18, hearing on the FEC, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, May 18, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Encryption: Security in a High Tech Era, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on The Ethiopian-Eritrean War: U.S. Policy Options, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 18, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.R. 1691, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 18, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 238, to amend section 274 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose mandatory minimum sentences, and increase certain sentences, for bringing in and harboring certain aliens and to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide enhanced penalties for persons committing such offenses while armed; H.R. 456, for the relief of the survivors of the 14 members of the Armed Forces and the one United States civilian Federal employee who were killed on April 14, 1994, when United States fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down 2 United States helicopters over Iraq; H.R. 945, to deny to aliens the opportunity to apply for asylum in Guam; H.R. 1745, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the removal of aliens who associate with known terrorists; and H.R. 1774, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to not count work experience as an unauthorized alien for purposes of admission as an employment-based immigrant or an H-1B nonimmigrant, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

May 19, full Committee, to mark up the following: H.R. 1659, National Police Training Commission Act of 1999; H.R. 102, the National Youth Crime Prevention Demonstration Act; H.R. 1501, Consequences for Juvenile Offenders Act of 1999; H.R. 1691, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1999; H.J. Res. 33, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; H.R. 462, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as

State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income; and to consider private bills, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 18, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Public and Private Resource Management and Protection Issues in the National Forest Systems, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 18, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to mark up H.R. 592, to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills"; followed by a hearing on H.R. 1487, National Monument NEPA Compliance Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 20, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on Steller Sea Lions, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 20, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on County Schools 25% Fund Stabilization, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 20, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on California Central Valley Water Management, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, May 17, to consider the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

May 18, to consider the following: H.R. 1654, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 1999; and H.R. 1553, National Weather Service and Related Agencies Authorization Act of 1999, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, May 20, Subcommittee on Science, hearing on Security at the Department of Energy: Who's Protecting the Nation's Secrets, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Easing Traffic Congestion and Improving Vehicle Safety: ITS and Transportation Technology Solutions for the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 18, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports, hearing on the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and its assistance to small business exporters, 3 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 19, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Veteran's Millennium Health Care Act, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 20, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1071, Montgomery GI Bill Improvements Act of 1999; and H.R. 1182, Servicemembers Educational Opportunity Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on National Cemeteries, including Arlington National Cemetery, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 18, Subcommittee on Trade, to mark up the following: the Trade Agency Authorizations, Drug Free Borders and On-Line Child Pornography Prevention Act of 1999; and H.R. 984, Caribbean and Central America Relief and Economic Stabilization Act, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 20, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up H.R. 1802, Foster Care Independence Act of 1999, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on U.S. Customs Service passenger inspection operations, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Meetings: May 20, Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy Re-

search, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform's Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, on the Administration's fiscal year 2000 budget request for climate change programs and compliance with various statutory provisions in fiscal year 1999 appropriations acts requiring detailed accounting of climate change spending and performance measures for each requested increase in funding, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 Noon, Monday, May 17

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Monday, May 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1 p.m.), Senate expects to resume consideration of S. 254, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by rehabilitation of juvenile criminals, punish and deter violent gang crime.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: Pro forma session.

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