

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11823–S11890

Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1683–1685, S.J. Res. 35, and S. Res. 195. Page S11879

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Special Report entitled “The 1999 Joint Economic Report.” (S. Rept. No. 106–169)

S. 1236, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for commencement of the construction of the Arrowrock Dam Hydroelectric Project in the State of Idaho. (S. Rept. No. 106–170)

S.J. Res. 3, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, with an amendment. Page S11879

Measures Passed:

Commending Dr. William Ransom Wood: Senate agreed to S. Res. 195, expressing the sense of the Senate concerning Dr. William Ransom Wood. Page S11867

Air Transportation Improvement Act: Senate began consideration of S. 82, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration, withdrawing committee amendments, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S11824–48, S11851–59

Adopted:

Gorton (for McCain) Amendment No. 1891, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S11846, S11851

Rockefeller (for Levin/Abraham) Amendment No. 1899, to provide for designation of at least one general aviation airport from among the current or former military airports that are eligible for certain grant funds. Page S11859

Pending:

Gorton Amendment No. 1892, to consolidate and revise provisions relating to slot rules for certain airports. Pages S11851–54

Gorton (for Rockefeller/Gorton) Amendment No. 1893, to improve the efficiency of the air traffic control system. Pages S11854–57

Baucus Amendment No. 1898, to require the reporting of the reasons for delays or cancellations in air flights. Pages S11857–59

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Tuesday, October 5, 1999. Page S11890

Nominations: Senate began consideration of the nominations of Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Brian Theodore Stewart, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Raymond C. Fisher, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. Pages S11867–76

Senate will resume consideration of the nominations on Tuesday, October 5, 1999 at 2:15 p.m., with votes to occur thereon.

Transportation Appropriations—Conference Report: By 88 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 306), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, clearing the measure for the President. Pages S11862–67

Appointment:

Office of Compliance Board of Directors: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, pursuant to Public Law 104–1, announced the joint appointment of the following individuals as members of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance: Alan V. Friedman, of California, Susan B. Robfogel, of New York, and Barbara Childs Wallace, of Mississippi. Page S11890

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Alphonso Maldon, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

John K. Veroneau, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the

Forty-third Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency.	Page S11890
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—306) Page S11866

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12:01 p.m., and adjourned at 7:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, October 5, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11890.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 3002–3010, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 322, were introduced.

Pages H9203–04

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 20, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct and operate a visitor center for the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River on land owned by the State of New York (H. Rept. 106–361);

H.R. 1665, to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield in Virginia, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation, amended (H. Rept. 106–362); and

H. Res. 321, providing for consideration of H.R. 764, to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect (H. Rept. 106–366). Page H9203

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Tancredo to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H9243

Recess: The House recessed at 12:42 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. Page H9244

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Commercial Space Transportation Competitive-ness Act: H.R. 2607, amended, to promote the development of the commercial space transportation industry, to authorize appropriations for the Office of the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation, to authorize appropriations for the Office of Space Commercialization; Pages H9246–48

Conveyance of Certain Property to Stanislaus County, California: H.R. 356, amended, to provide

for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to Stanislaus County, California; Page H9249

Rail Passenger Disaster Family Assistance Act: H.R. 2681, to establish a program, coordinated by the National Transportation Safety Board, of assistance to families of passengers involved in rail passenger accidents; Pages H9249–51

Congratulating the American Public Transit Association: H. Con. Res. 171, congratulating the American Public Transit Association for 25 years of commendable service to the transit industry and the Nation; Pages H9251–52

Reenacting Chapter 12 of Title 11, USC: S. 1606, to extend for 9 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, is reenacted—clearing the measure for the President; Page H9253

U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Extension Act: H.R. 2401, to amend the U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Act of 1998 to extend the period by which the final report is due and to authorize additional funding; Pages H9253–56

Concerning the Participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization (WHO): H.R. 1794, amended, concerning the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization (WHO); Pages H9256–59

Concern Over Interference with Freedom in Peru: H. Res. 57, amended, expressing concern over interference with freedom of the press and the independence of judicial and electoral institutions in Peru. Agreed to amend the title; Pages H9261–63

Sense of Congress Re Sacrilegious Exhibit at the Brooklyn Museum of Art: H. Con. Res. 191, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the

Brooklyn Museum of Art should not receive Federal funds unless it cancels its upcoming exhibit featuring works of a sacrilegious nature. Agreed to amend the title;
Pages H9267-73

Condemning the Kidnapping and Murder of 3 United States Citizens by the FARC: H. Res. 181, condemning the kidnapping and murder by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) of 3 United States citizens, Ingrid Washinawatok, Terence Freitas, and Lahe'ena'e Gay (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 470);
Pages H9259-61, H9282-83

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission Act: H.R. 1451, amended, to establish the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 411 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 471);
Pages H9263-67, H9283

VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2684, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Walsh, DeLay, Hobson, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Wicker, Northup, Sununu, Young of Florida, Mollohan, Kaptur, Meek of Florida, Price of North Carolina, Cramer, and Obey.
Pages H9273-76, H9283-84

Agreed to the Mollohan motion to instruct conferees to agree with the higher funding levels recommended in the Senate amendment for the Department of Housing and Urban Development; for the Science, Aeronautics and Technology and Mission Support accounts of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and for the National Science Foundation by a ye and nay vote of 306 yeas to 113 nays, Roll No. 472.
Pages H9273-76, H9283-84

Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Regula, Kolbe, Skeen, Taylor of North Carolina, Nethercutt, Wamp, Kingston, Peterson of Pennsylvania, Young of Florida, Dicks, Murtha, Moran of Virginia, Cramer, Hinchey, and Obey.
Pages H9276-82, H9284-85

Agreed to the Dicks motion to instruct conferees to (1) insist on disagreement with the provisions of Section 335 of the Senate amendment and insist on the provisions of Section 334 of the House bill; (2) to agree with the higher funding levels rec-

ommended in the Senate amendment for the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities; and (3) to disagree with the provisions in the Senate amendment which will undermine efforts to protect and restore our cultural and natural resources by a ye and nay vote of 218 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 473.
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Recess: The House recessed at 5:50 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.
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Recess: The House recessed at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened at 8:15 p.m.
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Office of Compliance: The Chair announced on behalf of the Speaker and the Minority Leader of the House and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate their joint appointment of the following individuals to a five-year term to the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance: Mr. Alan V. Friedman of California, Ms. Susan S. Robfogel of New York, and Ms. Barbara Childs Wallace of Mississippi.
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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H9243 and H9285.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9282-83, H9283, H9284, and H9284-85. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment concluded hearings on Prescription Drugs: What We Know and Don't Know About Seniors' Access to Coverage. Testimony was heard from Representatives Peterson of Minnesota, Stark, Fletcher, Allen, Berry and Gilman.

BIPARTISAN CONSENSUS MANAGED CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT; QUALITY CARE FOR THE UNINSURED ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Chairmen Bliley, Goodling and Archer; and Representatives Upton, Cox, Ganske, Norwood, Coburn, Lazio, Shadegg, Greenwood, Boehner, DeMint, Thomas, Shaw, Houghton, Kolbe, Hobson, Kelly, Ney, Gibbons, Dingell, Thurman, Traficant, Slaughter, Berry and Capuano, but action was deferred on the following bills: H.R. 2723, Bipartisan Consensus Managed Care Improvement Act of 1999; and H.R. 2990, Quality Care for the Uninsured Act of 1999.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 764, Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act of 1999. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 4 of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in legislative bills). The rule provides that the bill shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum and Scott.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1075)

S. 380, to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act. Signed October 1, 1999. (P.L. 106-63)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold closed hearings on issues relating to the Department of Energy and Intelligence Community witnesses on military implications of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings on S. 1452, to modernize the requirements under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards of 1974 and to establish a balanced consensus process for the development, revision, and interpretation of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 1608, to provide annual payments to the States and counties from National Forest System lands managed by the Forest Service, and the re-vested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands managed predominately by the Bureau of Land Management, for use by the counties in which the lands are situated for the benefit of the public schools, roads, emergency and other public purposes; to encourage and provide new mechanism for cooperation between counties and the Forest Service and the Bureau

of Land Management to make necessary investments in federal lands, and reaffirm the positive connection between Federal Lands counties and Federal Lands; and for other purposes, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's Blue Ribbon Panel findings on methyl tertiary-butyl ether, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the Convention On Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, Adopted and Opened for Signature at the Conclusion of the Seventeenth Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law on May 29, 1993 (Treaty Doc. 105-51); and S. 682, to implement the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine development assistance to Africa and the implementation of United States foreign policy, 2:45 p.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., room to be announced.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings on S. 758, to establish legal standards and procedures for the fair, prompt, inexpensive, and efficient resolution of personal injury claims arising out of asbestos exposure, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the U.S. Commission on National Security/21st Century, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearings on H.R. 2944, Electricity Competition and Reliability Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up H.R. 2, to send more dollars to the classroom, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following: H.R. 2886, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act; H.R. 1520, Child Status Protection Act of 1999; H.R. 2961, International Patient Act; and two private relief bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 2932, to authorize the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on Plant Genome Science: From the Lab to the Field to the Market, Part 2, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Fuels for Future, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on fatherhood legislation, 12 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 a.m., Tuesday, October 5

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 82, Air Transportation Improvement Act (FAA Authorization).

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will vote consecutively on the confirmations of the nominations of Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Brian Theodore Stewart, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Raymond C. Fisher, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Also, Senate will consider any conference reports when available.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 2 Suspensions:

- (1) H.J. Res. 65, Commending the World War II Veterans Who Fought in the Battle of the Bulge; and
- (2) H.R. 1663, National Medal of Honor Memorial Act; and

Consideration of H.R. 764, Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act (open rule, one hour of general debate).

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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