

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1159–91*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2181–2183. **Page S1173**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 1653, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act. (S. Rept. No. 106–230) **Page S1173**

**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the confirmation of the nomination of Julio M. Fuentes, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, to occur at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, March 7, 2000. **Page S1187**

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of Marsha L. Berzon, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Richard A. Paez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, on Tuesday, March 7, 2000, at 2:15 p.m. **Page S1187**

**Communications:** **Pages S1171–72**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S1170–71**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12:02 p.m., and adjourned at 4:29 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 7, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1187.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

#### AIR FORCE DEPOT MAINTENANCE

*Committee on Armed Services:* On Friday, March 3, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded hearings to examine the management of Air Force depot maintenance on fielded weapon systems, after receiving testimony from F. Whitten Peters, Secretary of the Air Force; Gen. George T. Babbitt, Jr., USAF, Commander, Air Force Materiel Command; and David R. Warren, Director, and Julia C. Denman, Assistant Director, both of Defense Management Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office.

#### RUSSIAN THREAT REDUCTION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded closed and open hearings to examine U.S. programs to reduce the threats that the former Soviet Union's weapons of mass destruction pose to national security, focusing on the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction programs and the Department of Energy Nonproliferation programs, after receiving testimony from John A. Lauder, Director, Nonproliferation Center, Central Intelligence Agency; Harold J. Johnson, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; Susan J. Koch, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Threat Reduction Policy; and Rose E. Gottemoeller, Acting Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, Department of Energy.

## COLON CANCER PREVENTION

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the prevention and treatment of colon cancer, focusing on efforts to increase awareness and screening procedures, including the use of Medicare-covered screening and diagnostic services to prevent colorectal cancer and minimize its effect on beneficiaries health status through early detection and treatment, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and

Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Michael McMullan, Deputy Director, Center for Beneficiary Services, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Katie Couric, National Broadcasting Company, on behalf of the National Colorectal Cancer Research Alliance, and Shirley Heiligman, both of New York, New York; and Bernard Levin, University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, on behalf of the American Gastroenterological Association.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 3832–3839; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 90 and H. Con. Res. 264–266, were introduced. **Pages H646–47**

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

H.R. 1743, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the environmental and scientific and energy research, development, and demonstration and commercial application of energy technology programs, projects, and activities of the Office of Air and Radiation of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 106–511); and

H.R. 1742, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the environmental and scientific research, development, and demonstration programs, projects, and activities of the Office of Research and Development and Science Advisory Board of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 106–512).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H643**

**House of Representatives Child Care Center Advisory Board:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals to the Advisory Board for the House of Representatives Child Care Center: Mr. Ron Haskins, Rockville, Maryland; Ms. Linda Bachus, Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Lee Harrington, Alexandria, Virginia; Ms. Patricia Law, Chevy Chase, Maryland; Ms. Barbara Morris Lent, Arlington, Virginia; Ms. Leisha Pickering, Washington, D.C.; Ms. Nancy Piper, Alexandria, Virginia; Mr. Christopher Smith, Bethesda, Maryland. And upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader: Ms. Paula Swift, Alexandria, Virginia; Ms. Sara

Davis, Falls Church, Virginia; Ms. Debbie Dingell, Arlington, Virginia; Mr. Donald Anderson, Washington, D. C., Ms. Tamra Bentsen, Washington, D.C.; Mr. Jeff Mendelsohn, Washington, D.C.; and Ms. Sylvia Sabo, Vienna, Virginia. **Pages H643–44**

**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

**National Emergency Re Iraq:** Message wherein he transmitted his six month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–204); and **Page H644**

**Trade Policy Agenda:** Message wherein he transmitted his Trade Policy Agenda and Annual Report on the Trade Agreements Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–205). **Page H644**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 643.

**Referrals:** S. 1794 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and S. Con. Res. 91 was referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page H645**

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

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### CHARTER SCHOOLS: SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* On March 3, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Charter Schools: Successes