

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House committee ordered reported the Energy and Water Development appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4237–S4972

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2711–2712, and S. Res. 321. **Pages S4952–53**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Con. Res. 251, commending the Republic of Croatia for the conduct of its parliamentary and presidential elections, with an amendment and with an amended preamble.

H. Con. Res. 304, expressing the condemnation of the continued egregious violations of human rights in the Republic of Belarus, the lack of progress toward the establishment of democracy and the rule of law in Belarus, calling on President Alyaksandr Lukashenka's regime to engage in negotiations with the representatives of the opposition and to restore the constitutional rights of the Belarusian people, and calling on the Russian Federation to respect the sovereignty of Belarus.

S. 2460, to authorize the payment of rewards to individuals furnishing information relating to persons subject to indictment for serious violations of international humanitarian law in Rwanda.

S. 2677, to restrict assistance until certain conditions are satisfied and to support democratic and economic transition in Zimbabwe.

S. 2682, to authorize the Broadcasting Board of Governors to make available to the Institute for Media Development certain materials of the Voice of America.

S. Con. Res. 117, commending the Republic of Slovenia for its partnership with the United States and NATO, and expressing the sense of Congress that Slovenia's accession to NATO would enhance NATO's security.

S. Con. Res. 118, commemorating the 60th anniversary of the execution of Polish captives by Soviet authorities in April and May 1940. **Page S4952**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating New Jersey Devils Hockey Championship: Senate agreed to S. Res. 321, to congratulate the New Jersey Devils for their outstanding discipline, determination, and ingenuity, in winning the 2000 National Hockey League's Stanley Cup Championship. **Pages S4971–72**

Defense Appropriations: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 4576, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4946–50**

Adopted:

Stevens/Inouye Amendment No. 3317, to provide research and development funds for the Information Technology project. **Pages S4947–48**

Stevens Amendment No. 3318, to make a technical correction. **Pages S4947–48**

Stevens Amendment No. 3319, to make a technical correction. **Pages S4947–48**

Stevens Amendment No. 3320, to make a technical correction. **Pages S4947–48**

Stevens Amendment No. 3328, to adjust the cash balances available under the "Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Defense" account. **Page S4948**

Pending:

Boxer/Reid Amendment No. 3308, to prohibit the use of funds for the preventative application of dangerous pesticides in areas owned or managed by the Department of Defense that may be used by children. **Pages S4946–47**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the pending Boxer/Reid Amendment No. 3308 (listed above), to occur on Tuesday, June 13, 2000, at 2:20 p.m. **Page S4972**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and further amendments to be proposed thereto, on Tuesday, June 13, 2000. **Page S4972**

Appointment:

National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and Choice in the Airline Industry: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106-181, appointed Ted R. Lawson, of West Virginia, to serve as a member of the National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and Choice in the Airline Industry. **Page S4972**

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Enrolled Bills Presented (June 9, 2000): **Page S4952**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12:03 p.m., and adjourned at 4:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 13, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4972.)

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 4636-4641, were introduced. **Page H4420**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3995, to establish procedures governing the responsibilities of court-appointed receivers who administer departments, offices, and agencies of the District of Columbia government, amended (H. Rept. 106-663);

H.R. 4387, to provide that the School Governance Charter Amendment Act of 2000 shall take effect upon the date such Act is ratified by the voters of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 106-664);

H.R. 4504, to make technical amendments to the Higher Education Act of 1965, amended (Rept. 106-665);

H.R. 4079, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a comprehensive fraud audit of the Department of Education, amended (H. Rept. 106-666);

H.R. 4022, regarding the sale and transfer of Moskit anti-ship missiles by the Russian Federation, amended (Rept. 106-667);

H.R. 4118, to prohibit the rescheduling or forgiveness of any outstanding bilateral debt owed to the United States by the Government of the Russian Federation until the President certifies to the Congress that the Government of the Russian Federation has ceased all its operations at, removed all personnel from, and permanently closed the intelligence facility at Lourdes, Cuba, amended (H. Rept. 106-668);

H.R. 3048, to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former Presidents and members of their families, amended (H. Rept. 106-669);

H. Res. 523, waiving points of order against the conference report on S. 761, to regulate interstate commerce by electronic means by permitting and encouraging the continued expansion of electronic commerce through the operation of free market forces (H. Rept. 106-670);

H. Res. 524, providing for consideration of H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106-671).

H.J. Res. 90, withdrawing the approval of the United States from the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization, amended, adverse (H. Rept. 106-672);

H.R. 4601, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 213(c) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2001 to reduce the public debt and to decrease the statutory limit on the public debt, amended (H. Rept. 106-673, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 4635, 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, 2001, (H. Rept. 106-674). **Page H4219**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Kuykendall to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4177**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00. **Page H4177**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:33 p.m. and reconvened at 6:27 p.m. **Page H4193**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on H.R. 4079, amended, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a comprehensive fraud audit of the Department of Education. Further proceedings on the motion to suspend the rules were postponed.

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

Higher Education Act Amendments: H.R. 4504, amended, to make technical amendments to the Higher Education Act of 1965; **Pages H4181–88**

Importance of Strong Marriages: H. Res. 280, amended, recognizing the importance of strong marriages and the contributions that community marriage policies have made to the strength of marriages throughout the United States; **Pages H4188–90**

Governing District of Columbia Court-Appointed Receivers: H.R. 3995, amended, to establish procedures governing the responsibilities of court-appointed receivers who administer departments, offices, and agencies of the District of Columbia government; and **Pages H4191–93**

Waiving Congressional Review of DC School Board Referendum: H.R. 4387, to provide that the School Governance Charter Amendment Act of 2000 shall take effect upon the date such Act is ratified by the voters of the District of Columbia. **Page H4193**

Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations: The House considered amendments to H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. The House began consideration of the bill on June 8. **Pages H4194–H4215**

Withdrawn:

Obey amendment no. 24 printed in the Congressional Record, was offered but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to increase funding for the child care and development block grant by \$1,000. **Page H4209**

Points of order sustained against:

Pelosi amendment no. 11 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for substance abuse programs by \$600 million; and **Pages H4197–H4201**

Hoyer amendment no. 12 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for the child care and development block grant, family serv-

ice and Head Start programs, education reforms, and education for the disadvantaged by \$1.8 billion; **Pages H4204–08**

The Pelosi and Hoyer amendments were considered pursuant to a unanimous consent agreement of June 8.

H. Res. 518, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on June 8.

Rejected the Obey motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 187 ayes to 202 noes, Roll No. 255. Earlier, the motion failed on a division of the question of 15 ayes to 17 noes. **Pages H4208–09**

Rejected the Obey motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 256. **Page H4214**

Order of Business—Further Consideration of Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations: Agreed that during further consideration of the bill pursuant to H. Res. 518 and the order of the House of June 8, no further amendment to the bill shall be in order except (1) pro forma amendments offered by the chairman or ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate; (2) the amendment printed in part B of House Report 106–657; (3) the remaining amendments listed in the order of the House of June 8, 2000, as previously modified; and (4) the following additional amendments: Representative Young of Florida regarding across-the-board reduction; Representative Hoekstra regarding reductions in Education for the Disadvantaged, Impact Aid, School Improvement Programs, and bilingual and Immigrant Education and increase in Special Education; Representative Schaffer regarding reduction in Education Research, Statistics, and Improvement and increase in Special Education; Representative Schaffer regarding reduction in Even Start and increase in Special Education for Grants to States; Representative Schaffer regarding reduction in Job Corps Training and increase in Special Education for Grants to States; Representative Schaffer regarding reduction in the U.S. Institute of Peace and increase in Special Education for Grants to States; Representative Coburn regarding fetal tissue research; Representative Kaptur regarding a report on the impact of PNTR on U.S. jobs; Representative Sanders regarding NIH; Representative Hall of Ohio regarding additional funding for Meals on Wheels; and the amendments printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 189, 190, 191, 192, 196, 198, and 201. Each amendment may be offered only by the Member designated in the request or a designee, or the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee; shall be considered as read; shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled; shall not be subject

to amendment; and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. **Page H4215**

Military Construction, Family Housing, and Base Realignment: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4425, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and agreed to a conference. **Page H4216**

Appointed as conferees for consideration of the House bill, and division A of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hobson, porter, Tiahr, Walsh, Miller of Florida, Aderholt, Granger, Goode, Young of Florida, Olver, Edwards, Farr of California, Boyd, Dicks, and Obey. For consideration of division B of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Young of Florida, Regula, Lewis of California, Rogers, Skeen, Callahan, Obey, Murtha, Pelosi, and Kaptur. **Page H4208**

Agreed to the Olver motion to instruct conferees to disagree with the Senate amendment and provide funding for national Missile Defense Initial deployment Facilities at a level equal to the lower level as provided in the House passed bill. **Page H4216**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H4177.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 121 was referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page H4218**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H4221.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4208–09 and H4214. There were no quorum calls.

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

Committee Meetings

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Energy and Water Development appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides

that the bill shall be considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill, except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule waives clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation) against amendments offered during consideration of the bill. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for 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 Regula, Weldon of Florida and Dicks.

CONFERENCE REPORT—MILLENNIUM DIGITAL COMMERCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 761, Millennium Digital Commerce Act, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Bliley.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, business meeting to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, 10 a.m., SD–116.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the government of the District of Columbia, 11 a.m., SD–192.

Full Committee, business meeting to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Transportation and related agencies, 2:15 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, with the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, to hold joint hearings to examine the Merchant Banking Regulations pursuant to the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

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Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the practices of Internet network advertisers and steps that can be taken to improve consumers' privacy online, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings on the nomination of James V. Aidala, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency; the nomination of Arthur C. Campbell, of Tennessee, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development; and the nomination of Ella Wong-Rusinko, of Virginia, to be Alternate Federal Cochairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in Tibet, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine drug safety and pricing, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine post-conviction DNA testing, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 2001, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled "Decimals 2000—Will the Exchanges Convert?" 2:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled: "Computer Insecurities at DOE Headquarters: DOE's Failure to Get Its Own Cyber House in Order," 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3100, Know Your Caller Act of 1999; and H.R. 3180, Telemarketing Victims Protection Act, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on FEHBP: OPM's Policy Guidance for 2001, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Zimbabwe: Democracy on the Line, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on H.R. 3575, Student Athlete Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on H.R. 2929, Captive Elephant Accident Prevention Act of 1999, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 3693, Castle Rock Ranch Acquisition Act of 2000; H.R. 4420, to reauthorize the Southwestern Pennsylvania Heritage Preservation Commission; and H.R. 4579, Utah West Desert Land Exchange Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider a measure 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, 2001, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, hearing to review Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Education in Kindergarten Through 12th Grade and H.R. 4272, National Science Education Enhancement Act, 2 p.m., 2328 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on the Proposed United-US Airways Merger, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on legislation to cover prescription drugs under Medicare, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the situation five years after the Dayton Agreement which ended the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina, 2 p.m., B318, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4576, Defense Appropriations, with a vote on the pending Boxer/Reid Amendment No. 3308, to occur at 2:20 p.m.

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

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, June 13

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of H.R. 4577, Labor HHS, and Education Appropriations. (Complete consideration.)

Consideration of the conference report on S. 761, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (Rule waiving points of order).

Consideration of Suspensions:

(1) H.J. Res. 101—Recognizing the 225th birthday of the United States Army;

(2) H. Con. Res. 266—Benefits of Music Education;

(3) H.R. 3292—Establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana; and

(4) H.R. 4601—Debt Reduction Reconciliation Act of 2000.

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