

in Newport, Rhode Island to meet its authorized purpose. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Reed) Amendment No. 4169, to provide that the Secretary shall conduct a reconnaissance study to determine the Federal interest in dredging the Quonset Point navigation channel in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 4170, to provide assistance for efforts to protect and improve the Missouri River in the State of North Dakota. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 4171, to direct the Secretary of the Army to establish a program to market dredged material. **Pages S8929, S8987**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4172, to make a certain technical correction. **Pages S8929, S8988**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4173, to provide for National Academy of Sciences studies. **Pages S8929–30, S8988**

Rejected:

By 24 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 254), Warner/Voinovich Amendment No. 4165, to require payment by non-Federal interests of certain operation and maintenance costs. **Pages S8916–29**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Monday, September 25, 2000, with a vote on final passage of the bill to occur at 4:50 p.m. **Pages S9013–14**

Nominations Discharged: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nominations, and that they be placed on the calendar:

Luis J. Lauro, of Florida, to be Permanent Representative of the United States to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador; and

Mark L. Schneider, of California, to be Director of the Peace Corps. **Page S8941**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—254) **Pages S8928–29**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., on Friday, September 22, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8928–29.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain solutions or approaches to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Ann R. Mesnikoff, Sierra Club, and Norman J. Rosenberg, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, both of Washington, D.C.; Jeff Morgheim, British Petroleum, Houston, Texas; Fredrick D. Palmer, Western Fuels Association, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; and Joseph Romm, Center for Energy and Climate Solutions, Annandale, Virginia.

ENERGY POLICY ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings on S. 2933, to amend provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 relating to remedial action of uranium and thorium processing sites, after receiving testimony from James J. Fiore, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy for Site Closure, Environmental Management.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee began markup of the following bills: H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994, H.R. 4320, to assist in the conservation of great apes by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of great apes and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of great apes, H.R. 3671, to amend the Acts popularly known as the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act to enhance the funds available for grants to States for fish and wildlife conservation projects and increase opportunities for recreational hunting, bow hunting,

trapping, archery, and fishing, by eliminating opportunities for waste, fraud, abuse, maladministration, and unauthorized expenditures for administration and execution of those Acts, H.R. 4286, to provide for the establishment of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge in Bibb County, Alabama, H.R. 3292, to provide for the establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, H.R. 4318, to establish the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, H.R. 4435, to clarify certain boundaries on the map relating to Unit NC01 of the Coastal Barrier Resources System, H.R. 34, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, H.R. 1162, to designate the bridge on United States Route 231 that crosses the Ohio River between Maceo, Kentucky, and Rockport, Indiana, as the “William H. Natcher Bridge”, H.R. 1605, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 402 North Walnut Street in Harrison, Arkansas, as the “J. Smith Henley Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, and H.R. 4806, to designate the Federal building located at 1710 Alabama Avenue in Jasper, Alabama, as the “Carl Elliott Federal Building”, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

HEAVY-DUTY DIESEL EMISSION RULE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency’s proposed heavy-duty diesel emission rule designed to regulate heavy-duty diesel engines by (1) requiring the use of catalytic exhaust emissions control devices to reduce PM, NO_x, and NMHC, and (2) reducing the amount of sulfur in highway diesel fuel, after receiving testimony from Ronald W. Williams, Gary-Williams Energy Corporation, Denver, Colorado; Paul Rogers, Voss Companies, Inc., Cuba, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Truck Stop Operators; Richard A. Kassel, Natural Resources Defense Council, New York, New York; and Christina Vujovich, Cummins, Inc., Columbus, Indiana.

IRAN WEAPONS PROGRAMS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the extent and pace of Iran’s ballistic missile and weapons of mass destruction programs, as well as the prospects for and consequence of continued proliferation cooperation between countries Iran and North Korea, after receiving testimony from Robert D. Walpole, National Intelligence Officer for Strategic and Nuclear Programs, National Intelligence Council; A. Norman

Schindler, Deputy Director, Director of Central Intelligence Nonproliferation Center; Stephen A. Cambone, Director of Research, Institute for National Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Department of Defense; and Michael Eisenstadt, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 785, for the relief of Frances Schochenmaier, with an amendment;

S. 2778, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal;

S. 1314, to establish a grant program to assist State and local law enforcement in deterring, investigating, and prosecuting computer crimes; and

S. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the development of educational programs on veterans’ contributions to the country and the designation of the week of November 5, 2000 as “National Veterans Awareness Week” for the presentation of such educational programs.

VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the antitrust implications of entertainment industry self-regulation, and the constitutionality of government action to assist the entertainment industry in limiting the exposure of youth to explicit sex, violence, and other harmful material in music, movies, and video games, after receiving testimony from Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America, Hilary Rosen, Recording Industry Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; John F. Fithian, National Association of Theatre Owners, North Hollywood, California; and Crossan Andersen, Video Software Dealers Association, Encino, California.

PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Special Committee on Aging/Committee on Small Business: Committees concluded joint hearings to examine issues relating to the General Accounting Office investigation into alleged contracting irregularities at the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, including weaknesses in procurement planning and execution processes which may have led to limited competition, after receiving testimony from Wayne R. Poll, Inspector General, and David M. Strauss, Executive Director, both of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, and Robert H. Hast, Assistant Comptroller General,

Office of Special Investigations, both of the General Accounting Office; Bonne Ann McHenry,

Merrimack, New Hampshire; and Thomas A. Parks, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 5236–5265; 1 private bill, H.R. 5266; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 108; H. Con. Res. 405, and H. Res. 587–588 were introduced. **Pages H7990–92**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2413, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security, amended (H. Rept. 106–876);

H.R. 4429, to require the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to assist small and medium-sized manufacturers and other such businesses to successfully integrate and utilize electronic commerce technologies and business practices, amended (H. Rept. 106–877);

H.R. 2987, to provide for the punishment of methamphetamine laboratory operators, provide additional resources to combat methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse in the United States, amended (H. Rept. 106–878, Pt. 1);

H.R. 4897, to amend the Small Business Act to establish a program to provide Federal contracting assistance to small business concerns owned and controlled by women (H. Rept. 106–879);

H.R. 4944, to amend the Small Business Act to permit the sale of guaranteed loans make for export purposes before the loans have been fully disbursed to borrowers (H. Rept. 106–880);

H.R. 4946, to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a pilot program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns, amended (H. Rept. 106–881); and

H. Res. 586, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 106–882). **Pages H7989–90**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Richard Elliott of Gilbertsville, Pennsylvania. **Page H7935**

Defense and Security Assistance Act: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4919, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to make improvements to

certain defense and security assistance provisions under those Acts, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries by a yea and nay vote of 396 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 485.

Pages H7939–43

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 584, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill by voice vote. **Page H7939**

Enrollment Correction: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 405, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 4919, Defense and Security Assistance Act.

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Lackawanna Heritage Valley, Pennsylvania American Heritage Area: The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 940, to establish the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American Heritage Area—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H7943–49

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 583, the rule waiving points of order against a motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the bill by voice vote.

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Veterans Health Administration. Personnel System Improvements: The House passed H.R. 5109, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the personnel system of the Veterans Health Administration by a yea and nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 486. **Pages H7949–65**

Agreed to the committee amendment made in order by the rule. **Page H7951**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 585, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

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Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Representative Scarborough announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4205, Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act to recede to the Senate language contained in section 701 of the Senate amendment. **Page H7983**

Meeting Hour—Friday, September 22: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Friday, September 22.

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