

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9787–S9873*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3157–3160, and S. Res. 366. **Page S9861**

#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2001”. (S. Rept. No. 106–483)

S. 1109, to conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and items, products, or substances containing, or labeled or advertised as containing, bear viscera. (S. Rept. No. 106–484)

S. 2417, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to increase funding for State nonpoint source pollution control programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–485)

S. 1697, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to refund certain collections received pursuant to the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–486)

S. 1756, to enhance the ability of the National Laboratories to meet Department of Energy missions and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–487)

S. 2163, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–488)

S. 2882, to authorize Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies to augment water supplies for the Klamath Project, Oregon and California, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–489) **Page S9855**

#### Measures Passed:

**Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4386, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide medical assistance for certain women screened and found

to have breast or cervical cancer under a federally funded screening program, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to surveillance and information concerning the relationship between cervical cancer and the human papillomavirus (HPV), after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 662 (Senate companion measure), and after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Subsequently, S. 662 was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page S9822**

**Education for All Handicapped Children Act:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 399, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975.

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**William H. Natcher Bridge:** Senate passed 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”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**J. Smith Henley Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse:** Senate passed 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”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**Carl Elliott Federal Building:** Senate passed H.R. 4806, to designate the Federal building located at 1710 Alabama Avenue in Jasper, Alabama, as the “Carl Elliott Federal Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**Owen B. Pickett U.S. Customhouse:** Senate passed H.R. 5284, to designate the United States customhouse located at 101 East Main Street in Norfolk, Virginia, as the “Owen B. Pickett United States Customhouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**Red River National Wildlife Refuge Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4318, to establish the Red River National Wildlife Refuge, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**Personnel Flexibility:** Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4642, to make certain personnel flexibilities available with respect to the General Accounting Office, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9867**

**Famine Prevention and Freedom from Hunger Improvement Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4002, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to revise and improve provisions relating to famine prevention and freedom from hunger, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9867–69**

Fitzgerald (for Hagel) Amendment No. 4289, to include in the statement of policies that there is a need to responsibly manage the world's agricultural, as well as, natural resources for sustained productivity, health and resilience to climate variability. **Page S9869**

**Interior Appropriations—Conference Report:** Senate continued consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. **Pages S9796–S9820, S9842–48, S9869–73**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Friday, October 6, 2000. **Pages S9820–21**

Senate will continue consideration of the conference report on Thursday, October 5, 2000.

**Continuing Appropriations:** Senate began consideration of H.J. Res. 110, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001. **Pages S9827–42**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the resolution on Thursday, October 5, 2000, with a vote on final passage to occur at 10 a.m. **Page S9842**

#### **Appointment:**

**Social Security Advisory Board:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and in consultation with the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member of the Finance Committee, pursuant to Public Law 103–296, appointed David Podoff, of Maryland, as a member of the Social Security Advisory Board, vice Lori L. Hansen. **Page S9866**

**Sequential Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Committee on Indian Affairs reports S. 2917, to settle the land claims of the Pueblo of Santa Domingo, the bill be referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for a period not to exceed 7 days. **Page S9867**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Report to accompany Bilateral Investment Treaties with Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bolivia, Croatia, El Salvador, Honduras, Jordan, Lithuania, Mozambique, Uzbekistan, and a Protocol Amending the Bilateral Investment Treaty with Panama (Treaty Docs. 106–47, 106–25, 106–26, 106–29, 106–28, 106–27, 106–30, 106–42, 106–31, 104–25, and 106–46) (Exec. Rept. No. 106–23) **Pages S9855–56**

Report to accompany Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties with Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, Nigeria, Romania, South Africa, Ukraine, and the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters with Related Protocol (Treaty Docs. 106–35, 106–19, 106–17, 106–18, 102–26, 106–20, 106–36, 106–16, and 105–25) (Exec. Rept. No. 106–24) **Pages S9856–59**

Report to accompany United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Drought, Particularly in Africa, with Annexes (Treaty Doc. 104–29) (Exec. Rept. No. 106–25) **Pages S9859–60**

Report to accompany Extradition Treaties with Belize, Paraguay, South Africa and Sri Lanka (Treaty Docs. 106–38, 106–4, 106–24, and 106–34) (Exec. Rept. No. 106–26) **Pages S9860–61**

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**Text of S. 2412, as Previously Passed:** **Pages S9865–66**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 8:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 5, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9869.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SEAPORT SECURITY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the Seaport Commission Report of the Interagency Commission on Crime and Security in U.S. Seaports, focusing on how to improve security and crime within the United States' port environment, after receiving testimony from Senator Graham; Adm. James M. Loy, U.S. Coast Guard, and Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Maritime Administrator, both of the Department of Transportation; Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Kurt J. Nagle, American Association of Port Authorities, Alexandria, Virginia; and John Tousseau, International Longshore and Warehouse Union, Washington, D.C.

### HEALTH CARE COVERAGE

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to the challenges and barriers faced in obtaining and maintaining affordable health care coverage, including related data from the recent Current Population Survey, the impact of current tax policy, and expanding coverage, after receiving testimony from Robert Garcia de Posada, Hispanic Business Roundtable, Paul Fronstin, Employee Benefit Research Institute, Judith Feder, Georgetown University Public Policy Institute, and Mary R. Greal, Healthcare Leadership Council, all of Washington, D.C.; Sandra Adamson Fryhofer, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the American College of Physicians-American Society of Internal

Medicine; Grace-Marie Arnett, Galen Institute, Alexandria, Virginia; and Sara R. Munro, Burlington, Vermont.

### U.S. FOREST SERVICE AND SMALL BUSINESS

*Committee on Small Business:* Committee held hearings to examine the effects of U.S. Forest Service policies on small businesses and what could be done to improve the agency's management of the forests, receiving testimony from Senators Craig and Thomas; James R. Furnish, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Jim Hurst, Owens and Hurst Lumber Company, Inc., Eureka, Montana; Joel E. Bousman, Boulder, Wyoming, on behalf of the Wyoming Stockgrowers Association; Del Tinsley, Wyoming Livestock Roundup, Casper, on behalf of the University of Wyoming College of Agriculture; Al Bukowsky, Solitude River Trips, Salmon, Idaho; Larry W. Van Tassell, University of Idaho Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Moscow; and William McKillop, University of California College of Natural Resources, Berkeley.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### ALCOHOL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN ALASKA

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the state of alcohol, substance abuse, and related law enforcement problems in Alaska, focusing on the identity and quantity levels of alcohol and illegal drug use in the State, after receiving testimony from Jacqueline Agtuca, Acting Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Ernie Turner, Alaska Division of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Juneau; and Julie Kitka, Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage.