

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Received on Tuesday, October 17, during the adjournment:

Tom C. Korologos, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2001. (Reappointment)

Robert M. Ledbetter, Jr. of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2003.

Dennis P. Walsh, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2004.

Edward Correia, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2002.

Mark J. Mazur, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy.

James Lynwood Younger, Jr., of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years.

A routine list in the Army. **Page S10644**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Sarah McCracken Fox, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2004, to which position she was appointed during the recess of the Senate from November 19, 1999, to January 24, 2000, which was sent to the Senate on March 2, 2000. **Page S10644**

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and recessed at 1:49 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, October 18, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10644.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 5474–5479; 2 private bills, H.R. 5480–5481; and 1 private resolution, H. Res. 636; 4 resolutions, H. Res. 630–632, 635 were introduced. **Page H10036**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 2121, to ensure that no alien is removed, denied a benefit under the Immigration and Nationality Act, or otherwise deprived of liberty, based on evidence that is kept secret from the alien, amended (H. Rept. 106–981);

H.R. 4548, to establish a pilot program creating a system of registries of temporary agricultural workers to provide for a sufficient supply of such workers, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to streamline procedures for the temporary admission and extension of stay of nonimmigrant agricultural workers under the pilot program, amended (H. Rept. 106–982, Pt. 1);

H.R. 4209, to amend the Federal Reserve Act to require the payment of interest on reserves maintained at Federal reserve banks by insured depository institutions, amended (H. Rept. 106–983);

H. Res. 633, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 106–984); and

H. Res. 634, providing for consideration of H.R. 4656, to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site (H. Rept. 106–985). **Page H10035**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Biggert to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9909**

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

Veterans Benefits Act: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 4850, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to enhance programs providing compensation and life insurance benefits for veterans—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H9911–12**

Veterans Claims Assistance Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4864, to amend title 38, United States Code, to reaffirm and clarify the duty

of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist claimants for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9912–18

Veterans Benefits and Health Care Improvement Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to the House amendment to S. 1402, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing education benefits for veterans—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9918–47

Technology Transfer Commercialization: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 209, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9947–49

Commercial Space Transportation Competitiveness: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2607, 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—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9949–50

Protecting Our Children From Drugs: H.R. 5312, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to protect children from drug traffickers;

Pages H9950–51

Drug Treatment Alternatives to Prison: H.R. 4493, to establish grants for drug treatment alternative to prison programs administered by State or local prosecutors;

Pages H9951–54

Western Paleontology and Archaeology Center in Diamond Valley Lake Area of Southern California: H.R. 4187, to assist in the establishment of an interpretive center and museum in the vicinity of the Diamond Valley Lake in southern California to ensure the protection and interpretation of the paleontology discoveries made at the lake and to develop a trail system for the lake for use by pedestrians and nonmotorized vehicles;

Pages H9954–55

Expeditious Construction of the National World War II Memorial: S. Con. Res. 145, Expressing the sense of Congress on the propriety and need for expeditious construction of the National World War II Memorial at the Rainbow Pool on the National Mall in the Nation's Capital;

Pages H9955–57

Alaska Native and American Indian Direct Reimbursement: S. 406, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to make permanent the demonstration program that allows for direct billing of medicare, medicaid, and other third party payors, and to expand the eligibility under such program to

other tribes and tribal organizations—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9957–59

Payment of Medical Expenses Incurred by the United States Park Police: H.R. 4404, amended, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the United States Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a State or political subdivision when required by State law;

Pages H9959–60

Ivanpah Valley Airport Public Lands Transfer: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1695, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal public lands in the Ivanpah Valley, Nevada, to Clark County, Nevada, for the development of an airport facility organizations—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9960–61

Lincoln Highway Study: H.R. 2570, to require the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a study regarding methods to commemorate the national significance of the United States roadways that comprise the Lincoln Highway;

Pages H9961–62

Castle Rock Ranch Acquisition: S. 1705, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into land exchanges to acquire from the private owner and to convey to the State of Idaho approximately 1,240 acres of land near the City of Rocks National Reserve, Idaho—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9962–63

Santo Domingo Pueblo Claims Settlement: S. 2917, to settle the land claims of the Pueblo of Santo Domingo—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9963–66

Boundaries of Missouri River Segment in Montana under the Wild and Scenic Rivers: H.R. 5041, to establish the boundaries and classification of a segment of the Missouri River in Montana under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act;

Page H9966

Rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park: H.R. 4521, amended, the Secretary of the Interior to authorize and provide funding for rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, to authorize funds for maintenance of utilities related to the Park;

Pages H9966–69

Virginia Wilderness Area in George Washington National Forest: H.R. 4646, amended, to designate certain National Forest System lands within the boundaries of the State of Virginia as wilderness areas. Agreed to amend the title;

Page H9969

Five Nations Oklahoma Citizens Land Reform: H.R. 5308, amended, to amend laws relating to the

lands of the citizens of the Muscogee (Creek), Seminole, Cherokee, Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations, historically referred to as the Five Civilized Tribes;

Pages H9969–75

Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor: H.R. 3926, to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated to the Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission;

Pages H9975–76

Timbisha Shoshone Homeland: S. 2102, to provide to the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe a permanent land base within its aboriginal homeland—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9976–79

Upper Housatonic National Heritage Area Study: H.R. 4312, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing an Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in the State of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

Pages H9979–80

Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance: S. 1936, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other National Forest System land in the State of Oregon and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes;

Pages H9980–81

Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic Rivers Act: S. 1296, to designate portions of the lower Delaware River and associated tributaries as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9981–83

Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana Land Authorities: H.R. 5398, to provide that land which is owned by the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana but which is not held in trust by the United States for the Tribe may be leased or transferred by the Tribe without further approval by the United States;

Pages H9983–84

Irrigation Mitigation and Restoration Partnership: H. Res. 630, amended, providing for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1444, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to develop and implement projects for fish screens, fish passage devices, and other similar measures to mitigate adverse impacts associated with irrigation system water diversions by local governmental entities in the States of Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Idaho;

Pages H9984–86

Mandatory Separation Age Parity for Federal Firefighters: H.R. 460, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory separation age for Federal firefighters be made the same as

the age that applies with respect to Federal law enforcement officers;

Pages H9986–89

George Atlee Goodling Post Office Building, York, Pennsylvania: H.R. 5210, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 South George Street in York, Pennsylvania, as the “George Atlee Goodling Post Office Building;”

Pages H9991–92

J.T. Wecker Service Center, Chicago, Illinois: H.R. 5016, amended, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 514 Express Center Drive in Chicago, Illinois, as the “J.T. Wecker Service Center.” Agreed to amend the title;

Pages H9992–93

National Transportation Safety Board Amendments Act: S. 2412, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9993–97

George E. Brown, Jr. United States Courthouse: H.R. 5110, to designate the United States courthouse located at 3470 12th Street in Riverside, California, as the “George E. Brown, Jr. United States Courthouse;”

Pages H9997–99

Southeast Federal Center Public-Private Development: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3069, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to provide for redevelopment of the Southeast Federal Center in the District of Columbia—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H9999–H10000

William Kenzo Nakamura United States Courthouse, Seattle, Washington: H.R. 5302, to designate the United States courthouse located at 1010 Fifth Avenue in Seattle, Washington, as the “William Kenzo Nakamura United States Courthouse;”

Pages H10000–02

Extension of Time to File a Complaint Alleging False Inspection Certificates at Hunts Point Terminal Market, Bronx, New York: H.R. 4965, to amend the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, to extend the time period during which persons may file a complaint alleging the preparation of false inspection certificates at Hunts Point Terminal Market, Bronx, New York;

Pages H10002–03

Grain Standards and Warehouse Improvement: H. Res. 632, providing for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4788, the Grain Standards and Warehouse Improvement Act of 2000;

Pages H10003–05

Inspectors General Criminal Investigator Academy and Forensic Laboratory: S. 1707, to amend

the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to provide that certain designated Federal entities shall be establishments under such Act—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10006–07**

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM) Authorization: H.R. 4281, amended, to establish, wherever feasible, guidelines, recommendations, and regulations that promote the regulatory acceptance of new and revised toxicological tests that protect human and animal health and the environment while reducing, refining, or replacing animal tests and ensuring human safety and product effectiveness. Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H10007–11**

Richmond National Battlefield Park; H.R. 5225, amended, to revise the boundaries of the Richmond National Battlefield Park based on the findings of the Civil War Sites Advisory Committee and the National Park Service and to encourage cooperative management, protection, and interpretation of the resources associated with the Civil War and the Civil War battles in and around the city of Richmond, Virginia; **Pages H10011–13**

Smithsonian American Art Museum: S. 3201, to rename the National Museum of American Art—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10013–14**

Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory Submillimeter Array located on Mauna Kea at Hilo, Hawaii. S. 2498, to authorize the Smithsonian Institution to plan, design, construct, and equip laboratory, administrative, and support space to house base operations for the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory Submillimeter Array located on Mauna Kea at Hilo, Hawaii—clearing the measure for the President; and **Pages H10014–15**

Library of Congress Revolving Fund for Audio and Video Duplication Services Associated with Audiovisual Conservation Center: H.R. 5410, amended, to establish revolving funds for the operation of certain programs and activities of the Library of Congress. **Pages H10015–17**

Suspensions: The House debated the following motions to suspend the rules and upon which proceedings were postponed:

National Children's Memorial Day. H. Con. Res. 415, expressing the sense of the Congress that there should be established a National Children's Memorial Day; **Pages H9989–90**

Social Security Number Confidentiality: H.R. 3218, to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the appearance of Social Security account num-

bers on or through unopened mailings of checks or other drafts issued on public money in the Treasury; **Pages H9990–91**

Fish and Wildlife Programs Improvement and National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial: Concurring with the Senate amendments to 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; **Pages H10017–26**

Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance: H.R. 4148, amended, to make technical amendments to the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act relating to contract support costs; and **Pages H10026–28**

Compensation to Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe for Takings: S. 964, amended, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe. **Pages H10028–32**

Meeting Hour—Wednesday, Oct. 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18. **Page H10032**

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Mr. Gordon A. Martin of Roxbury, Massachusetts to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. **Page H10032**

Presidential Message—Railroad Retirement: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the Annual Report of the Railroad Retirement Act—referred to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means. **Pages H10032–33**

VA, HUD, Appropriations: Disagreed with the Senate amendment to 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, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida, and Representatives DeLay, Hobson, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Northup, Sununu, Goode, Mollohan, Kaptur, Meek of Florida, Price of North Carolina, Cramer, and Obey. **Pages H9992**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H9989.

Referrals: S. 1848, S. 2195, S. 2301, S. 2425, S. 2594, S. 2877, S. 2882, and S. 2981 were referred to the Committee on Resources. S. 2688 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H10037–66.

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

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4656, to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site. The rule waives all points of order against the bill and against its consideration. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Sanford.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Chairman Shuster and Representatives Oberstar and Sanford, but no action was taken on S. 2796, Water Resources Development Act of 2000.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order at any time on or before the legislative day of Friday, October 20, 2000. The rule provides that the object of any motion to suspend the rules will be announced from the floor at least ninety minutes prior to its consideration. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the object of any suspension considered under this resolution. Finally, the rule provides that House Resolution 615 is laid on the table.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

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

H.R. 4115, to authorize appropriations for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Signed October 12, 2000. (P.L. 106–292)

H.R. 4931, to provide for the training or orientation of individuals, during a Presidential transition, who the President intends to appoint to certain key positions, to provide for a study and report on improving the financial disclosure process for certain Presidential nominees. Signed October 12, 2000. (P.L. 106–293)

S. 704, to amend title 18, United States Code, to combat the overutilization of prison health care services and control rising prisoner health care costs. Signed October 12, 2000. (P.L. 106–294)

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”. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–295)

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”. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–296)

H.R. 1800, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to ensure that certain information regarding prisoners is reported to the Attorney General. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–297)

H.R. 2752, to give Lincoln County, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain public land located within that county. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–298)

H.R. 2773, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate the Wekiva River and its tributaries of Rock Springs Run and Black Water Creek in the State of Florida as components of the national wild and scenic rivers system. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–299)

H.R. 4318, to establish the Red River National Wildlife Refuge. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–300)

H.R. 4579, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–301)

H.R. 4583, to extend the authorization for the Air Force Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs. Signed October 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–302)