

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House of Representatives and Senate met in Joint Session to receive a message from President George W. Bush—A Country Awakened to Danger and Called to Defend Freedom.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9551–S9560

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1441–1443, and S. Res. 161. **Page S9557**

Escort Committee: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President pro tempore of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the House Chamber for the joint session to be held at 9 p.m., on Thursday, September 20, 2001. **Page S9551**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the President's address concerning the terrorist attack on New York's World Trade Center, delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on September 20, 2001; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM–43) **Pages S9553–55**

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Adjournment: Senate met at 8:31 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, Sep-

tember 21, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9560.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FINANCIAL MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the condition of the financial markets, after receiving testimony from Paul O'Neill, Secretary of the Treasury; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve; Harvey L. Pitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Richard A. Grasso, New York Stock Exchange, Hardwick Simmons, Nasdaq Stock Market, and Robert Glauber, National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., all of New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be a Member and Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, and Joseph M. Clapp, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and Read Van de Water, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Transportation.

AVIATION SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine federal aviation security standards, focusing on aviation related computer systems, airport access controls, and passenger and carry-on baggage screening, including how the United States and selected other countries differ in their screening practices, receiving testimony from

Norman Y. Mineta, Secretary, Michael Jackson, Deputy Secretary, and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, all of the Department of Transportation; Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; John Meenan, Air Transport Association, Duane Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, and Paul Hudson, Aviation Consumer Action Project, all of Washington, D.C.; and Charles Barclay, American Association of Airport Executives, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the financial state of the transportation industry in light of the recent terrorist attacks and the potential need for Federal financial assistance, receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office; Leo F. Mullin, Delta Air Lines, and Mark Cooper, Consumer Federation of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Kerry B. Skeen, Atlantic Coast Airlines Holdings, Inc., Dulles, Virginia; Robert Roach, Jr., International Association of Machinists and Aerospace

Workers, Upper Marlboro, Maryland; Harry Pinson, Credit Suisse/First Boston, Houston, Texas; and Ray Neidl, ABN Amro, Inc., New York, New York.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

POSTAL OPERATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the annual report of the Postmaster General and the impact of terrorist attacks on postal operations, after receiving testimony from John E. Potter, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer, and Kenneth C. Weaver, Chief Postal Inspector, United States Postal Inspection Service, both of the United States Postal Service.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Benigno G. Reyna, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Marshals Service, and Jay B. Stephens, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: No measures were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2904, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107-207);

Committee on Appropriations report on Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2002 (H. Rept. 107-208);

H. Res. 242, 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. 107-209). **Pages H5863, H5865**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Harold Bales, District Superintendent, United Methodist Church of Salisbury, North Carolina.

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President Bush's Address to the Joint Session of Congress and the American People—A Country Awakened to Danger and Called to Defend Freedom: President George W. Bush delivered his message to a joint session of Congress. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives DeLay, Watts of Oklahoma, Gephardt, and Bonior, Senators Daschle, Reid of Nevada, Lott, and Nickles. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 107-122). The Speaker declared the joint session dissolved at 9:45 p.m. **Pages H5859-62, H5865**

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

Southeastern University of the District of Columbia Charter Amendment: H.R. 2061, to amend

the charter of Southeastern University of the District of Columbia; **Pages H5739–40**

District of Columbia Family Court Act: H.R. 2657, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to redesignate the Family Division of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia as the Family Court of the Superior Court, to recruit and retain trained and experienced judges to serve in the Family Court, to promote consistency and efficiency in the assignment of judges to the Family Court and in the consideration of actions and proceedings in the Family Court (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 343); and **Pages H5740–50, H5764**

Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention Act: H.R. 1900, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to provide quality prevention programs and accountability programs relating to juvenile delinquency. **Pages H5750–64**

DOD Authorization Bill for FY 2002: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 2586, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2002. Further consideration of the bill will resume at a later date. **Pages H5765–H5856**

Agreed to:

Stump en bloc amendment consisting of the following amendments made in order and printed in the Congressional Record of Sept. 19: Hall of Ohio, Manzullo, Lantos, Spratt, Stearns (No. 50), Weldon of Pennsylvania (No. 81), Ehrlich, Kirk, Boyd, Farr of California, and Lewis of California and **Pages H5846–51**

Stump en bloc amendment consisting of the following amendments made in order and printed in the Congressional Record of Sept. 19: Ose, Bereuter, Underwood, Gilchrest, Strickland, Velázquez, Stearns (No. 46), Tauscher, Weldon of Pennsylvania (No. 70), Weldon of Pennsylvania (No. 78) and Kelly. **Pages H5851–56**

Legislative Branch Appropriations Conference: The House disagreed with the Senate amendments to H.R. 2647, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida and Representatives Taylor of North Carolina, Wamp, Lewis of California, LaHood, Sherwood, Obey, Moran of Virginia, Hoyer, and Kaptur. **Page H5857**

Veterans Affairs, HUD Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to

H.R. 2620, 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, 2002, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida and Representatives Walsh, DeLay, Hobson, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Northup, Sununu, Goode, Aderholt, Obey, Mollohan, Kaptur, Meek, Price, Cramer, and Fattah. **Page H5857**

Energy and Water Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 2311, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida, and Representatives Callahan, Rogers, Frelinghuysen, Latham, Wicker, Wamp, Emerson, Doolittle, Obey, Visclosky, Edwards, Pastor, Clyburn, and Roybal-Allard. **Page H5857**

Interior Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 2217, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida, and Representatives Skeen, Regula, Kolbe, Taylor of North Carolina, Nethercutt, Wamp, Kingston, Peterson of Pennsylvania, Obey, Dicks, Murtha, Moran of Virginia, Hinchey, and Sabo. **Page H5857**

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Bill Returned to the Senate: The House agreed to H. Res. 240, returning to the Senate the bill H.R. 2500, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002. **Pages H5857–59**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:47 a.m. and reconvened at 12:05 p.m. **Page H5764**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:35 p.m. and reconvened at 3:54 p.m. **Page H5857**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:07 p.m. and reconvened at 8:41 p.m. **Page H5859**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:45 p.m. and reconvened at 8:50 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 21. **Pages H5862, H5865**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5737 and H5859.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H5764. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:52 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 21.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND D.C. APPROPRIATIONS; BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 2002: Military Construction and the District of Columbia.

The Committee also approved revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2002.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on the 21st Century held a hearing on "Welfare Reform: An Examination of Effects." Testimony was heard from Joel Potts, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Policy Administrator, Department of Job and Family Services, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL ELECTRICITY POLICY

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled "National Electricity Policy: Federal Government Perspectives." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Francis Blake, Deputy Secretary; and Patrick Wood, Chairman, Linda K. Breathitt, Nora Mead-Brownell and William L. Massey, all with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

WAR ON TERRORISM PREPARATION

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on "Preparing for the War on Terrorism." Testimony was heard from Gen. Anthony Zinni, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret.); Benjamin Netanyahu, former Prime Minister of Israel; and public witnesses.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF PUBLIC LANDS BY LESSEES

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 1370, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide for maintenance and repair of buildings and properties located on lands in the National Wildlife Refuge System by lessees of such facilities. Testimony was heard from Daniel M. Ashe, Chief, National Wildlife Refuge System, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of September 21, 2001, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill to preserve the continued viability of the United States air transport system.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 525, amended, Preparedness Against Domestic Terrorism Act of 2001; GSA Fiscal Year 2002 Capital Investment and Leasing Program-Remaining Prospectuses; H.R. 852, to designate the Federal building and United States Courthouse to be constructed at 10 East Commerce Street in Youngstown, Ohio, as the "Nathaniel R. Jones and Frank J. Battisti Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" and S. 378, to redesignate the Federal building located at 3348 South Kedzie Avenue, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Paul Simon Chicago Job Corps Center."

AMERICAN WETLAND RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Transportation: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 1474, American Wetland Restoration Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Jones of North Carolina; Dominic Izzo, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; G. Tracy Mehan, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; and public witnesses.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2716, Homeless Veterans Assistance Act of 2001; and H.R. 936, Heather French Henry Homeless Veterans Assistance Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Frances Murphy, M.D., Deputy Secretary, Health; and John Kuhn, Chief, New Jersey Homeless Services; Roy A. Bernardi, Assistant Secretary, Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; representatives of various veterans organizations; and Heather French Henry, Miss America 2000.

MEDICAL CARE COLLECTION FUND

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing to review the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Care Collection Fund (MCCF). Testimony was heard from Steven P. Backhus, Director, Health Care-VA and Military Health Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard Griffin, Inspector General; and Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Under Secretary, Health.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of September 4, 2001, p. D858)

H.R. 2882, to provide for the expedited payment of certain benefits for a public safety officer who was killed or suffered a catastrophic injury as a direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Signed on September 18, 2001. (Public Law 107-37)

H.R. 2888, making emergency supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for additional disaster assistance, for anti-terrorism initiatives, and for assistance in the recovery from the tragedy that occurred on September 11, 2001. Signed on September 18, 2001. (Public Law 107-38)

S.J. Res. 22, expressing the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001. Signed on September 18, 2001. (Public Law 107-39)

S.J. Res. 23, to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against those responsible for the recent attacks launched against the United States. Signed on September 18, 2001. (Public Law 107-40)

H.R. 2133, to establish a commission for the purpose of encouraging and providing for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Board of Education*. Signed on September 18, 2001. (Public Law 107-41)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2001**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Arlene Render, of Virginia, to be Amba-

sador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire; the nomination of Mattie R. Sharpless, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic; the nomination of R. Barrie Walkley, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea; the nomination of Jackson McDonald, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia; the nomination of Kevin Joseph McGuire, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia; the nomination of Ralph Leo Boyce, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia; and the nomination of Robert W. Jordan, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 12 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the U.S. response to homeland attacks, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled "Medicare Drug Reimbursements: A Broken System for Patients and Taxpayers," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, to consider the following measures: H.R. 2604, to authorize the United States to participate in and contribute to the seventh replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund and the fifth replenishment of the resources of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and to set forth additional policies of the United States towards the African Development Bank, the African Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and H.R. 2871, Export-Import Reauthorization Act of 2001, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on "Mass Transit in the National Capital Region: Meeting Future Capital Needs," followed by a markup of the following: H.R. 2305, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Restructuring Act of 2001; and the District of Columbia Fiscal Integrity Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "Creating a New EPA Department," 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Aviation Security and the Future of the Aviation Industry, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9 a.m., Friday, September 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, September 21

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will consider the nominations of Sharon Prost, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Reggie B. Walton, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, with votes on confirmation of the nominations to occur thereon at approximately 9:20 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 2904, Military Construction, Family Housing, and Base Realignment Appropriations; and
Consideration of Air Transportation System Stabilization Act.



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