

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12017–S12063

Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1729–1735. **Pages S12054–55**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance.

S. 1271, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small business concerns, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1729, to provide assistance with respect to the mental health needs of individuals affected by the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

S. 1731, to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and rural development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber. **Page S12053**

Measures Passed:

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Compliance Extension: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 1684, to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S12059–60**

Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform. **Pages S12036–43**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, November 29, 2001. **Page S12036**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to

proceed to consideration of H.R. 10 (listed above) at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 28, 2001.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

Rules Committee Expenditure Authorization: S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration. **Page S12059**

Appointments:

Medal of Valor Review Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–12, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Medal of Valor Review Board: David E. Demag, of Vermont, and Thomas J. Scotto, of New York. **Page S12059**

Medal of Valor Review Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–12, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Medal of Valor Review Board: Michael D. Branham, of Arizona, and Jimmy Houston, of Mississippi. **Page S12059**

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

Report to accompany the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings (Treaty Doc. 106–6), and the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism (Treaty Doc. 106–49) (Exec. Rept. No. 107–2) **Pages S12053–54**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the term expiring May 18, 2002 and for the term expiring May 18, 2011. **Page S12063**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 342), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority. **Page S12043**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

JoAnn Johnson, of Iowa, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for a term expiring August 2, 2007.

Diane Leneghan Tomb, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Sean O'Keefe, of New York, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Donna Jean Hrinak, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil.

Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr., of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of the Philippines and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Palau.

Eni F.H. Faleomavaega, of American Samoa, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Steven Joseph Chabot, of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Roger P. Winter, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Frederick W. Schieck, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Naomi Churchill Earp, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2005.

Michael Hammond, of Texas, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of four years.

Lawrence A. Greenfeld, of Maryland, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy, and Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:58 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 28, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12060.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Mark W. Olson, of Minnesota, and Susan Schmidt Bies, of Tennessee, each to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, James Gilleran, of California, to be Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, Allan I. Mendelowitz, of Connecticut, Franz S. Leichter, of New York, and John Thomas Korsmo, of North Dakota, each to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, and Randall S. Kroszner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded hearings on S. 691, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, H.R. 223, to amend the Clear Creek County, Colorado, Public Lands Transfer Act of 1993 to provide additional time for Clear Creek County to dispose of certain lands transferred to the county under the Act, S. 1028, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal Features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public Lands and the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks of the State of South Dakota for the purpose of mitigating lost wildlife habitat, on the condition that the current preferential leaseholders shall have an option to purchase the parcels from the Commission, S. 1451, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a shooting range, and S. 1240, to provide for the acquisition of land and construction of an interagency administrative and visitor facility at the entrance to American Fork Canyon, Utah, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Bennett; Representative Udall; Tom Fulton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, and Larry Todd, Director of Operations, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior; and Abigail Kimbell, Acting Associate Deputy Chief for the National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded hearings on the National Immunization Program, focusing on the importance of strengthening the public health system to detect and respond to bioterrorist attacks, produce an adequate

supply of vaccinations, and improve the developments of counter-measures against other types of bioterrorist attacks, after receiving testimony from Walter A. Orenstein, Director, National Immunization Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Anthony S. Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National

Institutes of Health, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; F. E. Thompson, Jr., Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, on behalf of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials; and Betty Bumpers, on behalf of Every Child By Two, and John Calfee, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3346–3355; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 279, and H. Res. 294–295 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2972, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the “James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 107–301);

H.R. 2115, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater within and outside of the service area of the Lakehaven Utility District, Washington (H. Rept. 107–302); and

H. Res. 296, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3338) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–303). Page H8420

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Biggert to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8345

Resignation from Congress: Read a letter from Representative Largent wherein he notified the Speaker of his resignation as Congressman of the First District of Oklahoma, effective February 15, 2002. Page H8346

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

Afghan Women and Children Relief Act: S. 1573, to authorize the provision of educational and health care assistance to the women and children of Afghanistan—clearing the measure for the President; Pages H8346–51

Computer Security Enhancement Act: H.R. 1259, amended, 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 (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 391 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 449); Pages H8351–56, H8391

Honoring Joseph Henry for his role in the Advancement of Science and Electricity: H. Con. Res. 157, recognizing and honoring Joseph Henry for his significant and distinguished role in the development and advancement of science and electricity; Pages H8356–58

Price-Anderson Reauthorization Act: H.R. 2983, amended, to extend indemnification authority under section 170 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954; Pages H8358–67

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day: S. Con. Res. 44, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 393 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 450); Pages H8367–71, H8391–92

Export Extension Act: H.R. 3189, to extend the Export Administration Act until April 20, 2002; Pages H8371–72

Salt Lake City Winter Olympics Torch Relay: S. Con. Res. 82, authorizing the 2002 Winter Olympics Torch Relay to come onto the Capitol Grounds; Pages H8376–77

James A. McClure Federal Building and Courthouse, Boise, Idaho: S. 1459, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the “James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse”—clearing the measure for the President; Pages H8377–78

Supporting the Goals and Ideals of Native American Heritage Month: H. Con. Res. 270, expressing the sense of Congress that Americans should take time during Native American Heritage Month to recognize the many accomplishments and contributions made by native peoples; Pages H8386–91

Pueblo of Acoma Land and Mineral Consolidation: H.R. 1913, amended, to require the valuation of nontribal interest ownership of subsurface rights within the boundaries of the Acoma Indian Reservation; Pages H8392–93

Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge Establishment Act: H.R. 1230, amended, to provide

for the establishment of the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge in the State of Michigan; and
Pages H9393–96

Gratitude and Appreciation to GAO and its Employees: H. Res. 294, expressing the gratitude of the House of Representatives to the General Accounting Office and its employees for enabling the House to continue its work while the House office buildings were closed due to the presence of Anthrax.
Pages H8396–97

Suspensions: The House completed debate on the following motions to suspend the rules upon which further proceedings were postponed:

Supporting Efforts to Reunite Americans with Their Families in North Korea: H. Con. Res. 77, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the efforts of people of the United States of Korean ancestry to reunite with their family members in North Korea; and
Pages H8372–76

Clean Diamond Trade Act: H.R. 2722, amended, to implement a system of requirements on the importation of diamonds.
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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, Nov. 28.
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Recess: The House recessed at 10:45 p.m. and reconvened at 11:31 p.m.
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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8391, H8391–92. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AIR SECURITY REGULATIONS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on “What Regulations are Needed to Ensure Air Security?” Testimony was heard from Representative Mica; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 3338, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. 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 provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply

with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill or prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill), except as specified in the rule. The rule waives points of order during consideration of the bill against amendments for failure to comply with clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation). The rule authorizes the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young of Florida and Representatives Walsh, Gilman, Manzullo, Ney, Obey, Visclosky, Lowey, Serrano, Edwards, Hinchey, Rangel, Frost, Nadler, Maloney of New York, Filner, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Velázquez, Hastings of Florida and Crowley.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, November 13, 2001, p. D1136)

H.J. Res. 74, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002. Signed on November 17, 2001. (Public Law 107–70)

S. 1447, to improve aviation security. Signed on November 19, 2001. (Public Law 107–71)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 28 through December 1, 2001

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act.

On *Thursday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and conference reports when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: November 28, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine anthrax decontamination, 3 p.m., SD–124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 29, to hold hearings to examine housing and community development needs, focusing on the fiscal

year 2003 housing and urban development budget, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance: November 29, business meeting to mark up S. 525, to expand trade benefits to certain Andean countries; and S. 1209, to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to consolidate and improve the trade adjustment assistance programs, to provide community-based economic development assistance for trade-affected communities, 9 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 29, to hold hearings on the nomination of John V. Hanford III, of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom; the nomination of Arthur E. Dewey, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees, and Migration; and the nomination of John D. Ong, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to Norway, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

November 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of James David McGee, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland; the nomination of Kenneth P. Moorefield, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic; and the nomination of John Price, of Utah, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federal and Islamic Republic of The Comoros and Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: November 29, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to resume hearings to examine combating proliferation of weapons of mass destruction with non-proliferation programs and proposed legislation entitled the Non-Proliferation Assistance Coordination Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Select Committee on Intelligence: November 28, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary: November 28, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Judiciary, focusing on how to preserve freedoms while defending against terrorism, 9 a.m., SD-226.

November 29, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

November 29, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine the protection of nuclear, radiological materials, and infrastructure from terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

House Chamber

Wednesday, November 28 and the Balance of the Week, consideration of H.R. 3338, DOD Appropriations Act for FY 2002 (subject to a rule); and consideration of H.R. 3210, Terrorism Risk Protection Act (subject to a rule).

House Committees

Committee on Financial Services, November 28, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, to continue consideration of H.R. 1701, Consumer Rental Purchase Agreement Act, 11 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, November 29, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and

International Relations, hearing on "Risk Communication: National Security and Public Health," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, November 28, to mark up the following: S. 494, Zimbabwe Democracy and Economic Recovery Act of 2001; a measure to designate the National Foreign Affairs Training Center as the George P. Shultz National Foreign Affairs Training Center; S. Con. Res. 58, expressing support for the tenth annual meeting of the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum; and H.R. 2739, to amend Public Law 107 10 to require a United States plan to endorse and obtain observer status for Taiwan at the annual summit of the World Health Assembly in May 2002 in Geneva, Switzerland, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

November 29, hearing on Implementation of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, November 29, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "The Operations and Federal Judicial Misconduct and Recusal Statutes," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

November 29, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 556, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act; and H.R. 3215, Combatting Illegal Gambling Reform and Modernization Act, 2 p.m., 1137 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, November 28, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 38, Homestead National Monument of America Additions Act; H.R. 1925, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Waco Mammoth Site Area in Waco, Texas, as a unit of the National Park System; H.R. 1963, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route taken by American soldier and frontiersman George Rogers Clark and his men during the Revolutionary War to capture the British forts at Kaskaskia and Cahokia, Illinois, and Vincennes, Indiana, for study for potential addition to the National Trails System; H.R. 2234, Tumacacori National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act of 2001; H.R. 2238, Fern Lake Conservation and Recreation Act of 2001; H.R. 2440, to rename Wolf Trap Farm Park as "Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts;" H.R. 2742, to authorize the construction of a Native American Cultural Center and Museum in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; H.R. 3322, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct an education and administrative center at the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge in Box Elder County, Utah; and H.R. 3334, to designate the Richard J. Guadagno Headquarters and Visitors Center at Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, California, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, November 28, to consider H.R. 3210, Terrorism Risk Protection Act, 2 p.m., H-313 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: November 28, to hold hearings to examine the economic outlook of the United States, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, November 28

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 3338, DOD Appropriations Act for FY 2002 (open rule, one hour of general debate).

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