

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 3008, to reauthorize the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program.

The House passed H.R. 3005, to extend Trade Promotion Authority.

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2944, District of Columbia appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12465–S12579

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1778–1782. **Page S12551**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Thursday, December 6, during the adjournment:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2002”. (S. Rept. No. 107–110)

S. 1519, to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to provide farm credit assistance for activated reservists.

S. Con. Res. 55, honoring the 19 United States servicemen who died in the terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia on June 25, 1996.

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Measures Passed:

D.C. Southeastern University Charter: Senate passed H.R. 2061, to amend the charter of Southeastern University of the District of Columbia, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S12577**

James Harvey Early Plaque Installation: Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1714, to provide for the installation of a plaque to honor Dr. James Harvey Early in the Williamsburg, Kentucky Post Office Building, and the bill was then passed.

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Herb E. Harris Post Office Building: Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1761, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8588 Richmond Highway in Alexandria, Virginia, as the

“Herb E. Harris Post Office Building” and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S12578**

Homeless Veterans Assistance: Senate passed H.R. 2716, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise, improve, and consolidate provisions of law providing benefits and services for homeless veterans, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S12578–79**

Reid (for Rockefeller/Specter) Amendment No. 2308, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S12579**

Federal Farm Bill: Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of 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, and to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber. **Page S12476**

Department of Defense Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 3338, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12476–S12529**

Withdrawn:

Stevens Amendment No. 2243, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S12515–21**

During consideration of this measure, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 354), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected Division I of the motion to waive section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, Congressional Budget Resolution of 2001, with respect to the emergency designation on page 397 in

Division “C” of the committee substitute amendment. Subsequently, a point of order that the emergency designation was in violation of section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290 was sustained, and the emergency designation was stricken. **Pages S12521–28**

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 355), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected Division II of the motion to waive section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, Congressional Budget Resolution of 2001, with respect to the emergency designation on page 398 in Division “C” of the committee substitute amendment. Subsequently, a point of order that the emergency designation was in violation of section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290 was sustained, and the emergency designation was stricken. **Pages S12521–29**

District of Columbia Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2944, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, at 9:30 a.m., on Friday, December 7, 2001, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon. **Page S12579**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 353), Harris L. Hartz, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit. **Pages S12472–75, S12579**

Mark W. Olson, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 1996.

Susan Schmidt Bies, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 1998.

Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Joe L. Heaton, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma. **Pages S12475–76, S12577, S12579**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—355) **Pages S12475, S12528, S12529**

Adjournment: Senate met at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, December 7, 2001. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S12579.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Con. Res. 55, honoring the 19 United States servicemen who died in the terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia on June 25, 1996; and

The nominations of Peter B. Teets, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, and Claude M. Bolton, Jr., of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and 694 military nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of J. Joseph Grandmaison, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and Kenneth M. Donohue, Sr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

CORPORATE AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Transportation corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) program, focusing on minimization of environmental impacts via petroleum consumption, researching investments for fuel efficient vehicles, and improving fleet fuel economy, after receiving testimony from Senators Bingaman, Feinstein, and Snowe; Representative Boehlert; Jeffrey W. Runge, Administrator, and Bob Shelter, Executive Director, both of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; Claude C. Gravatt, Jr., Director, Manufacturing