

Hagel	Lincoln	Schumer
Harkin	Lott	Sessions
Hatch	Lugar	Shelby
Hollings	McCain	Smith (NH)
Hutchinson	Mikulski	Smith (OR)
Inhofe	Miller	Snowe
Inouye	Murkowski	Specter
Jeffords	Murray	Stabenow
Johnson	Nelson (FL)	Stevens
Kennedy	Nelson (NE)	Thomas
Kerry	Nickles	Thompson
Kohl	Reed	Thurmond
Kyl	Reid	Torricelli
Landrieu	Roberts	Voinovich
Leahy	Rockefeller	Warner
Levin	Santorum	Wellstone
Lieberman	Sarbanes	Wyden

NOT VOTING—4

DeWine	Hutchinson
Helms	McConnell

The nomination was confirmed.

NOMINATION OF JOHN E. JONES III, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be 2 minutes of debate equally divided prior to the vote on Executive Calendar No. 828, which the clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

John E. Jones, III, of Pennsylvania to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Vermont.

Mr. LEAHY. Madam President, I will yield time on this side, if the distinguished Republican leader wants to yield the time on his side.

Madam President, I withhold that.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Pennsylvania.

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, John E. Jones III is a very distinguished lawyer. I have known him personally for 15 years. He comes from Pottsville, PA. He had an outstanding practice. He has an exemplary academic record. He served as chairman of a very important agency, the Liquor Control Board of Pennsylvania, which has quasi-judicial functions.

Joy Flowers Conti was just voted on.

I thank the chairman, Senator LEAHY, for moving these two judges. I urge him to follow the calendar, which has next in line D. Brooks Smith, who is the present judge of the Western District of Pennsylvania and who has been approved by the committee for the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

We are taking up another judge tomorrow.

I trust that Judge Smith will be up for confirmation.

I yield the remainder of my time.

Mr. LEAHY. Madam President, in my earlier statement, I praised the distinguished senior Senator from Pennsylvania for working hard to get through the judges on the Western District of Pennsylvania.

For year, after year, after year, after year, after year, after year, a Republican hold blocked any consideration of the nominations by President Clinton

for those same seats. But thanks to the distinguished senior Senator from Pennsylvania, we have been able to move forward quickly.

This, incidentally, will be the 63rd judge confirmed by the Senate since the change in majority about this time last year.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of John E. Jones III, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania?

Mr. LEAHY. Madam President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. NICKLES. I announce that the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 96, nays 0, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 196 Ex.]

YEAS—96

Akaka	Dorgan	Lugar
Allard	Durbin	McCain
Allen	Edwards	Mikulski
Baucus	Ensign	Miller
Bayh	Enzi	Murkowski
Bennett	Feingold	Murray
Biden	Feinstein	Nelson (FL)
Bingaman	Fitzgerald	Nelson (NE)
Bond	Frist	Nickles
Boxer	Graham	Reed
Breaux	Gramm	Reid
Brownback	Grassley	Roberts
Bunning	Gregg	Rockefeller
Burns	Hagel	Santorum
Byrd	Harkin	Sarbanes
Campbell	Hatch	Schumer
Cantwell	Hollings	Sessions
Carnahan	Hutchinson	Shelby
Carper	Inhofe	Smith (NH)
Chafee	Inouye	Smith (OR)
Cleland	Jeffords	Snowe
Clinton	Johnson	Specter
Cochran	Kennedy	Stabenow
Collins	Kerry	Stevens
Conrad	Kohl	Thomas
Corzine	Kyl	Thompson
Craig	Landrieu	Thurmond
Crapo	Leahy	Torricelli
Daschle	Levin	Voinovich
Dayton	Lieberman	Warner
Dodd	Lincoln	Wellstone
Domenici	Lott	Wyden

NOT VOTING—4

DeWine	Hutchinson
Helms	McConnell

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the President will be notified of the Senate's action.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

GREATER ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE PHARMACEUTICALS ACT OF 2001

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of S. 812, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 812) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals.

Pending:

Reid (for Dorgan) amendment No. 4299, to permit commercial importation of prescription drugs from Canada.

McConnell amendment No. 4326 (to amendment No. 4299), to provide for health care liability reform.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senator from Arizona be recognized for up to 30 minutes to speak as in morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ARMS CONTROL

Mr. KYL. Madam President, I thank the distinguished assistant majority leader and would note that Senator SPECTER also wanted to address the Senate, but since he is not here, I will go ahead with my remarks.

Mr. KYL. Madam President, on June 13 the United States officially withdrew from the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile, ABM, Treaty, closing a chapter in U.S.-Soviet relations, and beginning another with Russia. The lapsing of the ABM Treaty, combined with the Senate's defeat of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty in 1999 and the signing of a new type of nuclear reduction treaty with Russia in May, represent a fundamental shift in the way the United States approaches strategic security. We have moved away from reliance on traditional arms control treaties toward a reliance on our own capabilities—namely missile defenses and a credible nuclear deterrent.

Proponents of the ABM Treaty were convinced that it was the "cornerstone of strategic stability," and that U.S. withdrawal would damage the improving U.S.-Russia relationship, spark a new arms race, and even lead, as one of my colleagues remarked, to "Cold War II." Those predictions were wrong. Yet some still cling to the notion that arms control is the key elements in U.S. national security.

Over the past 6 months, I have addressed the Senate on the strategic justification for U.S. withdrawal from the ABM Treaty, the question of how much a missile defense system will cost, and the President's constitutional authority to exercise the right of withdrawal without legislative consent. And, today, in response to those who continue to believe in the utopian aims of traditional arms control agreements, I rise to address the President's decision to abrogate the ABM Treaty, this time