

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7905–7942

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1267–1270, and S. Res. 171. **Page S7926**

Measures Reported:

S. 555, to establish the Native American Health and Wellness Foundation, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–72)

H.R. 1954, to revise the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to naturalization through service in the Armed Forces, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7926**

Measures Passed:

Recognizing the San Antonio Spurs: Senate agreed to S. Res. 171, recognizing that the San Antonio Spurs are the 2002–2003 National Basketball Association champions and congratulating the team for its outstanding excellence, discipline, and dominance. **Pages S7933–34**

Pueblo of Santa Clara Trust Act: Senate passed S. 246, to provide that certain Bureau of Land Management land shall be held in trust for the Pueblo of Santa Clara and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso in the State of New Mexico, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Pages S7934–35**

Beaufort, South Carolina Study Act: Senate passed S. 500, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study certain sites in the historic district of Beaufort, South Carolina, relating to the Reconstruction Era, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7936**

Tualatin River Basin Water Supple Enhancement Act: Senate passed S. 625, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies in the Tualatin River Basin in Oregon, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Page S7936**

Pioneer National Historic Trails Studies Act: Senate passed S. 635, to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of

four national historic trails, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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San Gabriel River Watershed Study Act: Senate passed H.R. 519, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the San Gabriel River Watershed, clearing the measure for the President.

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McLoughlin House National Historic Site Act: Senate passed H.R. 733, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House in Oregon City, Oregon, for inclusion in Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Boundary Revision Act: Senate passed H.R. 788, to revise the boundary of the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area in the States of Utah and Arizona, clearing the measure for the President.

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Fremont-Madison Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 520, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Cornyn (for Crapo) Amendment No. 928, to make technical corrections.

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Mosquito Abatement for Safety and Health Act: Senate passed S. 1015, to authorize grants through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mosquito control programs to prevent mosquito-borne diseases.

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Prescription Drug and Medicare Improvement Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the Medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the Medicare program.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, June 17, 2003.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following Nominations:

Routine lists in the Air Force. **Page S7941**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Suedeen G. Kelly, of New Mexico, to be a Member of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2004.

C. Suzanne Mencer, of Colorado, to be the Director of the Office for Domestic Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security. (New Position)

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy.

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Message From the House:

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Adjournment: Senate met at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 5:26 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 17, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7941.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 2471–2486; 1 private bill, H.R. 2487; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 60; and H. Res. 277–280 were introduced. **Pages H5407–08**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5408–09**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on June 12, H.R. 923, amended, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to allow certain premier certified lenders to elect to maintain an alternative loss reserve. (H. Rept. 108–153);

H. Res. 276, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (S. 342) to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to make improvements to and reauthorize programs under that Act (H. Rept. 108–154);

H.J. Res. 49, recognizing the important service to the Nation provided by the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture on the occasion of its 50th anniversary (H. Rept. 108–155 Part 1); and

H.R. 660, to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve access and choice for entrepreneurs with small businesses with respect to medical care for their employees, amended (H. Rept. 108–156). **Page H5407**

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:32 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5369**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, June 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday June 17 for morning-hour debate. **Page H5370**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:06 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m. **Page H5370**

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

Bruce Woodbury Post Office Building, Boulder City, Nevada: H.R. 2254, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1101 Colorado Street in Boulder City, Nevada, as the "Bruce Woodbury Post Office Building" (agreed to by 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 369 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 276); **Pages H5370–71, H5380–81**

Commending Medgar Wiley Evers and his widow, Myrlie Evers-Williams: H. Con. Res. 220, commending Medgar Wiley Evers and his widow, Myrlie Evers-Williams, for their lives and accomplishments (agreed to by 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 376 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 277); and **Pages H5371–78, H5381**

Carl T. Curtis National Park Service Midwest Regional Headquarters Building, Omaha, Nebraska: S. 703, to designate the regional headquarters building for the National Park Service under construction in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "Carl T. Curtis National Park Service Midwest Regional

Headquarters Building” (agreed to by 2/3 ye-and-nay vote of 378 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 278)—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:06 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5369.

Referral: S. 1247 was referred to the Committee on Small Business and S. Con. Res. 48 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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Amendment: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H5409.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes and recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5380–81, H5381, and H5381–82. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONFERENCE REPORT—KEEPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SAFE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 342, Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003, and against its consideration. Testimony was heard from Representative Hoekstra.

BALANCING SECURITY AND COMMERCE

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security held a hearing on Balancing Security and Commerce, Testimony was heard from Robert Bonner, Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold hearings to examine S. 525, the National Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2003, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of

1990 to reauthorize and improve that Act, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the U.S. Bilateral Free Trade Agreements with Singapore and Chile, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air, done at Montreal, May 28, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106–45), Protocol to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air Signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, done at The Hague September 28, 1955 (The Hague Protocol) (Treaty Doc. 107–14), Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, with Annexes, done at Stockholm, May 22–23, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107–05), Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, with Annexes, done at Rotterdam, September 10, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 106–21), Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Conservation and Management of the Alaska-Chukotka Polar Bear Population done at Washington, October 16, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107–10), Agreement Amending the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Pacific Coast Albacore Tuna Vessels and Port Privileges done at Washington on May 26, 1981 (the “Treaty”), effected by an exchange of diplomatic notes at Washington on July 17, 2002, and August 13, 2002 (the “Agreement”). Enclosed is the report of the Secretary of State on the Agreement and a related agreement, effected by an exchange of notes at Washington on August 21, 2002, and September 10, 2002, amending the Annexes to the Treaty (Treaty Doc. 108–01), and Amendments to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America, with Annexes and agreed statements, done at Port Moresby, April 2, 1987, done at Koror, Palau, March 30, 1999, and at Kiritimati, Kiribati, March 24, 2002. Also transmitted, related Amendments to the Treaty Annexes, and the Memorandum of Understanding (Treaty Doc. 108–02), 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar items, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the FTC study on barriers to entry in the pharmaceutical marketplace, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine whether personal and national security risks compromise the potential of Peer-to-Peer File-Sharing Networks, 2 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine Senate Resolution 151, requiring public disclosure of notices of objections (holds) to proceedings to motions or measures in the Senate, 9:30 a.m., SR–301.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Alan G. Lance, Sr., of Idaho, and Lawrence B. Hagel, of Virginia, both to be a Judge of

the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Frank Libutti, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection, Department of Homeland Security, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold oversight hearings to examine Section 202 housing, focusing on efforts to do the right thing for seniors through better government, 10 a.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research, hearing to review Biotechnology in Agriculture; followed by consideration of H.R. 1907, to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to ensure the availability of funds to provide technical assistance for certain conservation programs of the Department of Agriculture, 11 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to consider the following: Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations Report, Fiscal Year 2003; Suballocation of Budget Allocations Report, Fiscal Year 2004; Homeland Security Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2004; and the Military Construction Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2004, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on "The ULLICO Scandal and Its Implications for U.S. Workers," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on H.R. 1583, Occupational Safety and Health-Fairness Act of 2003, focusing on Small Business and Workplace Safety, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to consider the Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003, 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on the role of FCRA in employee background checks and the collection of medical information, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings on Section 8 Housing Assis-

tance Program: Promoting Decent Affordable Housing for Families and Individuals who Rent, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing on "Federal Debt Management—Are Agencies Using Collection Tools Effectively?," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following: a resolution expressing support for freedom in Hong Kong in advance of the July 9 meeting of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong on the matter of Article 23; and H. Res. 260, requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents or other materials in the President's possession relating to Iraq's weapons of mass destruction, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on the Future of Transatlantic Relations: A View from Europe, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 2344, Intellectual Property Restoration Act of 2003, 4:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1399, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Boundary Revision Act of 2003; H.R. 1616, Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Land Exchange Act; and H.R. 1964, Highland Stewardship Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 8, Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2003, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to continue hearings on the Report of the Administration's Task Force to Improve Health Care Delivery for our Nation's Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following: the Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2351, Health Savings Account Availability Act, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on NSA Operations, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 17

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of S. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make improvements in the Medicare program, to provide prescription drug coverage under the Medicare program.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of suspensions:

(1) H.R. 658, Accountant, Compliance, and Enforcement Staffing Act;

(2) S. Con. Res. 43, Support for Activities to Provide Decent Homes for the People of the United States; and

(3) H. Res. 171, commending the University of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs for winning the NCAA National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship;

Consideration of the conference report on S. 342, Keeping Children and Families Safe Act (rule waiving points of order, one hour of debate).

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