

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S335–S382*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2040–2047, and S. Res. 295. **Pages S370–71**

#### Measures Passed:

*Congratulating New England Patriots:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 295, congratulating the New England Patriots on their victory in Super Bowl XXXVIII. **Pages S377–78**

*National School Counseling Week:* Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 292, designating the week beginning February 2, 2004, as “National School Counseling Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S378–79**

*National Mentoring Month:* Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 294, designating January 2004 as “National Mentoring Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S378–79**

*Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act:* Senate passed S. 1879, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards. **Page S379**

**Safe Transportation Equity Act:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1072, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. **Pages S343–60**

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

By 75 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 7), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the bill. **Page S360**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the bill at 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2004. **Page S360**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, The Budget of the United States Government for fiscal year 2005; referred jointly to the Committees on Appropriations and on the Budget. (PM–62) **Pages S369–70**

#### Appointments

*Commission on Review of Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States:* The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 108–132, Section 128, appointed the following individual to the Commission on Review of Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States: Major General Lewis E. Curtis III, USAF (Retired). **Pages S379–80**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

William Hardiman, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2006.

Sue Ellen Wooldridge, of Virginia, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

William T. Hiller, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006. (Reappointment)

Juan R. Olivarez, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006. (Reappointment)

Maria Otero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2007. (Reappointment)

Richard Kenneth Wagner, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring November 25, 2006.

Isaac Fulwood, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Raymond L. Finch, of Virgin Islands, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands for a term of ten years. (Reappointment)

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps. **Pages S380–82**

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**Privilege of the Floor: Page S377**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—7) **Page S360**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S380.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 882, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide improvements in tax administration and taxpayer safe-guards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill entitled "National Employee Savings and Trust Equity Guarantee Act"; and

An original bill entitled "Highway Reauthorization and Excise Tax Simplification Act of 2004".

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3 for morning hour debate and at 2 p.m. for legislative business.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2004

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2005 and the future years defense program; and to hold a business meeting to consider the nominations of Lawrence T. Di Rita, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, and Francis J. Harvey, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks and Information Integration, and certain other pending military nominations, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine fund operations and governance relating to current investigations and regulatory actions regarding the mutual fund industry, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the proposed Federal Public Transportation Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the President's fiscal year 2005 budget proposals, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, with Annexes, done at Montego Bay, December 10, 1982 (the "Convention"), and the Agreement Relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, with Annex, adopted at New York, July 28, 1994 (the "Agreement"), and signed by the United States, subject to ratification, on July 29, 1994 (Treaty Doc.103-39), 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine workforce issues relating to preserving a strong United States Postal Service, 2 p.m., SD-342.

#### House

*Committee on the Budget,* hearing on the Administration's Budget for Fiscal Year 2005, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Effective Strategies Against Terrorism, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing entitled "Law Enforcement Efforts within the Department of Homeland Security," 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider H.R. 3030, Improving the Community Services Block Grant Act of 2003, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* hearing on the Administration's Budget Proposals for fiscal year 2005, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 20 through January 31, 2004

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session .....	8	6	..
Time in session .....	39 hrs.	21 hrs., 33'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings .....	333	245	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	78	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	..	1	1
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	7	..
Measures passed, total .....	10	17	27
Senate bills .....	..	2	..
House bills .....	1	2	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	2	1	..
Simple resolutions .....	7	12	..
Measures reported, total .....	3	3	6
Senate bills .....	3	..	..
House bills .....	..	1	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	..	2	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar .....	157	81	..
Measures introduced, total .....	46	85	131
Bills .....	34	51	..
Joint resolutions .....	..	5	..
Concurrent resolutions .....	1	5	..
Simple resolutions .....	11	24	..
Quorum calls .....	..	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes .....	6	8	..
Recorded votes .....	..	2	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 20 through January 31, 2004

Civilian nominations, totaling 230, (including 195 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		22
Unconfirmed .....		206
Withdrawn .....		1
Returned to White House .....		1
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 7, (including 5 nominations carried over from the First Session) disposed of as follows:		
Unconfirmed .....		7
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,930 (including 3,527 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		2,250
Unconfirmed .....		1,680
Army nominations, totaling 1,189, (including 594 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		86
Unconfirmed .....		1,103
Navy nominations, totaling 2,504, (including 2,444 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		2,427
Unconfirmed .....		77
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,094, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Unconfirmed .....		1,094
<i>Summary</i>		
Total nominations carried over from the First Session .....		6,812
Total nominations received this Session .....		2,142
Total confirmed .....		4,785
Total unconfirmed .....		4,167
Total withdrawn .....		1
Total Returned to the White House .....		1

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 3 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 3 reports have been filed in the House.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, February 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will begin consideration of S. 1072, SAFE Transportation Equity Act.

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

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate and at 2 p.m. for legislative business.



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