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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 5:09 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, January 24, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S105.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: On Wednesday, January 19, Committee concluded a hearing on the nomination of Samuel W. Bodman, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Energy, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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Committee on Finance: On Wednesday, January 19, Committee concluded a hearing on the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Wednesday, January 19, committee concluded hearings and ordered favorably reported the nomination of Condoleezza Rice, of California, to be Secretary of State.

On Tuesday, January 18, Committee began hearings on the nomination of Condoleezza Rice, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Fein-

stein, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: On Tuesday, January 18, Committee concluded a hearing on the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

ASBESTOS CLAIMS RESOLUTION

Committee on the Judiciary: On Tuesday, January 11, Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposed legislation to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure, after receiving testimony from Judge Edward Becker, Third Circuit Court of Appeals, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; John Engler, National Association of Manufacturers, Margaret Seminario, Department of Occupational Safety and Health, AFL–CIO, Craig Berrington, American Insurance Association, Michael Forscey, American Trial Lawyers Association, and Jeffrey D. Robinson, Baach, Robinson & Lewis, all of Washington, DC; Mary Lou Keener, McLean, Virginia; and Billie Joe Speicher, Ontario, Canada.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: On Wednesday, January 19, Committee began consideration of the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales, of Texas, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, January 26.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 292–294; 1 private bill, H.R. 295; and; 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 19 were introduced. Page H141

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Report on the Activities of the House Committee on Government Reform for the 108th Congress (H. Rept. 108–815);

Report on the Activities of the Committee on House Administration during the 108th Congress (H. Rept. 108–816);

Summary of Activities of the Committee on Science for the 108th Congress (H. Rept. 108–817); and

Activities and Summary Report of the Committee on Budget, 108th Congress (H. Rept. 108–818).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H139

Joint Economic Committee Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Saxton to the Joint Economic Committee.

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