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Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2509–2512, S. Res. 372, and S. Con. Res. 116.

Measures Passed:

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 116, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Honoring Former President Reagan—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of a resolution relative to the death of former President Reagan, at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2004, and the Senate then proceeded to a vote on the resolution.

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

A communication from the President of the United States officially notifying the Congress of the United States of the death of former President Ronald Reagan; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM—84)

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Luis Luna, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Kenneth Francis Hackett, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a term of three years.

Christine Todd Whitman, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a term of three years.

Charles Graves Untermeyer, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar.

Douglas L. McElhaney, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Aldona Wos, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia.

William T. Monroe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

Executive Communications:

Additional Cosponsors:

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

Additional Statements:

Notices of Hearings/Meetings:

Authority for Committees To Meet:

Privilege of the Floor:

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:45 a.m., and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Ronald Wilson Reagan, 40th President of the United States, in accordance with S. Res. 371, adjourned at 6:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 9, 2004. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S6635.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Suedeen G. Kelly, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Bingaman, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NATIONAL PARKS/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine S. 931, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on visitors to
units of the National Park System and on other recreational users of public land, S. 1678, to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, S. 2140, to expand the boundary of the Mount Rainier National Park, S. 2287, to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana, and S. 2469, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, after receiving testimony from Senators Stevens and Bennett; Tom L. Thompson, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Janet Snyder Matthews, Associate Director, Cultural Resources, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; John L. Nau III, Chairman, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; Karen Krieger, Utah Division of Parks and Recreation, Salt Lake City; and David Hamre, Alaska Railroad Corporation, Anchorage.

**MEDICARE DRUG CARD**

Committee on Finance: Committee held a hearing to examine the implementation of the Medicare-Approved Drug Discount Card and the Transitional Assistance Program, enacted into law as part of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, focusing on how to deliver savings to participating beneficiaries, including mail order services, price shopping and negotiating power, card monitoring, and prescription drug cost comparisons, receiving testimony from Mark B. McClellan, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Thomas Snedden, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg; Kris Gross, Iowa Senior Health Insurance Information Program, Des Moines; Robert M. Hayes, Medicare Rights Center, New York, New York; and Mark Merritt, Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, and James B. Firman, National Council on Aging, both of Washington, D.C.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

**DIETARY SUPPLEMENT SAFETY ACT**

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the challenges and successes the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has experienced since the passage of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994, after receiving testimony from Robert E. Brackett, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Alice M. Clark, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi; Ronald M. Davis, Henry Ford Health System Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Detroit, Michigan, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Charles W. F. Bell, Consumers Union, Bruce Silverglade, Center for Science in the Public Interest, and Annette Dickinson, Council for Responsible Nutrition, all of Washington, D.C.; and Anthony L. Young, Kleinfeld, Kaplan, and Becker, LLP, Silver Spring, Maryland, on behalf of the American Herbal Products Association.

**ARTHРИTIS EPIDEMIC**

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Aging concluded a hearing to examine the current and future impact of arthritis, focusing on preventing, controlling and curing arthritis and the opportunities public health has to make a difference in reducing the pain and disability associated with arthritis, including S. 2338, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for arthritis research and public health, after receiving testimony from Joe Sniezek, Director, Arthritis Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Susana Serrate-Sztein, Chief, Rheumatic Diseases Branch, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, National Institutes of Health, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Deborah Rothman, Shriners Hospital for Children, Springfield, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American College of Rheumatology; John H. Klippel, Arthritis Foundation, Atlanta, Georgia; KaLea Kunkel, Oregon, Missouri, and Virg Jones, Kansas City, Kansas.

**NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS ACT AUTHORIZATION**

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2436, to reauthorize the Native American Programs Act of 1974, after receiving testimony from Quanah Crossland Stamps, Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services; Alice M. Clark, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi; Ronald M. Davis, Henry Ford Health System Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Detroit, Michigan, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Charles W. F. Bell, Consumers Union, Bruce Silverglade, Center for Science in the Public Interest, and Annette Dickinson, Council for Responsible Nutrition, all of Washington, D.C.; and Anthony L. Young, Kleinfeld, Kaplan, and Becker, LLP, Silver Spring, Maryland, on behalf of the American Herbal Products Association.

**DOJ TERRORISM OVERSIGHT**

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine activities of the Department of Justice, relating to the department’s strategic plan and its ongoing implementation to prevent terrorism, after receiving testimony from John Ashcroft, Attorney General, Department of Justice.
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Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4226, to amend title 49, United States Code, to make certain conforming changes to provisions governing the registration of aircraft and the recordation of instruments in order to implement the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment, known as the “Cape Town Treaty”, amended (H. Rept. 108–526491);

H.R. 4012, to amend the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 to permanently authorize the public school and private school tuition assistance programs established under the act (H. Rept. 108–527);

H.R. 1731, to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish penalties for aggravated identity theft, and for other purposes, as amended (H. Rept. 108–528);

H.R. 530, for the relief of Tanya Andrea Goudeau (Private Bill H. Rept. 108–529);

H.R. 712, for the relief of Richi James Lesley (Private Bill H. Rept. 108–530);

H.R. 867, for the relief of Durreshahwar Durreshahwar, Nida Hasan, Asna Hasan, Anum Hasan, and Iqra Hasan (Private Bill H. Rept. 108–531);
freedom for all the people of the world. Further proceedings were postponed.

Mourning the Passing of President Ronald Reagan and Celebrating His Service to the United States and His Leadership in Promoting the Cause of Freedom for all the People of the World: The House agreed that it shall be in order at any time to consider H. Res. 664, mourning the passing of President Ronald Reagan and celebrating his service to the people of the United States and his leadership in promoting the cause of freedom for all the people of the world; the resolution shall be considered as read for amendment; the previous question shall be considered as ordered to final adoption without intervening motion except (1) two hours of debate on the legislative day of June 8, 2004; (2) one motion to adjourn offered by the Majority Leader or his designee on the legislative day of June 8, 2004; and (3) three hours of debate on the legislative day of June 9, 2004; in addition, on each demand of the Majority Leader or his designee, it shall be in order on the legislative day of June 8, 2004 for an additional hour of debate; and notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair at any time may postpone further consideration of the resolution until a time designated by the Speaker.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, June 14, 2004, it adjourn to meet at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 2004.

Recess Authority: Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in joint meeting his Excellency Hamid Karzai, President of the Government of the Transitional Islamic State of Afghanistan.

Private Calendar: Agreed to dispense with the call of the Private Calendar on Tuesday, June 15, 2004.

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the call of the Calendar Wednesday business on Wednesday, June 16.

Presidential Message: Read a letter from the President wherein he notified congress of the death of President Ronald Wilson Reagan.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3789.

Senate Referrals: S. 1887 was referred to the Committees on Energy & Commerce and the Judiciary; S. Con. Res. 5 and S. Con. Res. 115 were held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3792 and H3792–93. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Committee Meetings
No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2004
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine completing the digital television transition, 9:30 a.m., SR–255.
Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine international intellectual property piracy, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.
Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the amount the Department of Defense spends on unused airline tickets, 10 a.m., SD–342.
Committee on the Judiciary: to hold an oversight hearing on activities of the Department of Homeland Security, focusing on terrorism and other related topics, 10 a.m., SD–226.
Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH–219.

House
Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 2005: Homeland Security; and Interior and Related Agencies, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.
Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to mark up the Energy and Water Development appropriations for fiscal year 2005, following full Committee markup, 2362B Rayburn.
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on Implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act, and on the following bills: H.R. 2193, Port Security Improvements Act of 2003; and H.R. 3712, United States Seaport Multiyear Security Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings
Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 3550, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, 2 p.m., SD–106.
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