

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 332–350. **Pages S2034–35**

Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment: Senate continued consideration of H.J. Res. 1, proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Pages S1980–95, S2006–33

Senate will resume consideration of the resolution on Friday, February 3.

Appointments:

Joint Economic Committee: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to section 1024, title 15, United States Code, announced the following Majority appointments to the Joint Economic Committee: Senators Mack (Chairman), Roth, Craig, Bennett, Santorum, and Grams. **Page S2027**

Joint Committee on Taxation: The Chair announced on behalf of the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, pursuant to section 8002 of title 26, United States Code, a substitution in the membership of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Senator Hatch for the duration of the 104th Congress only, in lieu of Senator Dole, resigned. **Page S2027**

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:08 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, February 3, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S2074.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HUD MANAGEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies resumed hearings to examine the management and budgetary situation at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, receiving testimony from Nicholas P. Retsinas, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and Federal Housing Commissioner; Mayor Steve Bartlett, Dallas, Texas, on behalf of the Conference of Mayors; Richard G. Grose, Missouri Housing Development Commission, on behalf of the National Council of State Housing Agencies, and Kenneth Bacchus, on behalf of the National League of Cities, both of Kansas City, Missouri; Gregory Byrne, Dade County Department of Housing and Urban Development, Miami, Florida, on behalf of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities; Richard C. Gentry, Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Richmond, Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials; Johrita Solari and David Smith, both on behalf of the National Assisted Housing Management Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Charles S. Wilkens, Jr., National Housing Partnership, and Michael Bodaken, National Housing Trust, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Eleanor Hill, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense, and 10,759 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

NATIONAL STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the foundations of United States national strategy, after receiving testimony from Henry A. Kissinger, former Secretary of State.

BLOCK GRANTS

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued hearings to examine issues relative to restructuring the Federal budget process, focusing on the Federal, State, and local block grant system, receiving testimony from Michigan Governor John Engler, Lansing; Mayor Stephen Goldsmith, Indianapolis, Indiana; and Clint Bolick, Institute for Justice, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

U.S. SAVINGS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the potential for targeted incentives to increase domestic savings, receiving testimony from William G. Gale, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Laurence J. Kotlikoff, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts, Jonathan Skinner, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, and David A. Wise, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, all on behalf of the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Martin S. Indyk, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Israel, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Lieberman and Moynihan, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

GOVERNMENT REFORM: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine how the performance of new information technology by Federal agencies can reduce costs and improve the quality of Government services, receiving testimony from Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General of the United States; Cynthia Kendall, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Information Management; Gary Kavanagh, Deputy Director, Bureau of Program Operations, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and George Newstrom, EDS Corporation, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities concluded hearings to examine education's impact on economic competitiveness, after receiving testimony from Robert Kominski, Assistant Division Chief for Social and Demographic Statistics, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; former New Jersey Governor Thomas H. Kean, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey; Joseph T. Gorman, TRW Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; Alan L. Wurtzel, Circuit City Stores Inc., Washington, D.C.; Joseph L. Dionne, McGraw-Hill, Inc., New York, New York; Morton Owen Schapiro, University of Southern California, Los Angeles; John H. Bishop, Cornell University, Ithaca; and Kent Lloyd, Knowledge Network for All Americans, Arlington, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H.R. 791–810; and two private bills, H.R. 811–812, were introduced. Pages H1156–57

Reports Filed: The following reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 665, to control crime by mandatory victim restitution, amended (H. Rept. 104–16); and

H.R. 666, to control crime by exclusionary rule reform (H. Rept. 104–17). Page H1156

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Dreier to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1075

Line-Item Veto: House completed all general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 2, to give the President line-item veto authority over appropriation Acts and targeted tax benefits in revenue Acts. Consideration of amendments will resume on Friday, February 3. Pages H1078–H1142

Agreed To:

The Blute technical amendment; Page H1105

The Clinger amendment that provides clarifying language more closely defining the President's line-item veto authority as limited to dollar amounts specified in appropriation Acts, conference reports and their accompanying joint explanatory statements, thus preventing the President from going outside these parameters and changing statutory language; Page H1107