

Friday, January 20, 1995

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Six bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 252–257, and S. Res. 65–68.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 65, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services.

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**Measures Passed:**

**National History/Educational Standards:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 66, to express the sense of the Senate regarding national history standards developed by the National Center for History in the Schools.

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**Protection of Reproductive Health Clinics:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 67, to express the sense of the Senate that the Attorney General should act immediately to protect reproductive health care clinics.

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**Unfunded Mandates/Local Governments:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 68, to express the sense of the Senate that States should not shift costs to local governments.

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**Appointments:**

**Washington's Farewell Address:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the order

of the Senate of January 24, 1901, appointed Senator Thomas to read Washington's Farewell Address on February 22, 1995.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Recess:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 1:35 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Monday, January 23, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S1290.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUEST

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee approved for reporting an original resolution (S. Res. 65) requesting \$2,948,079 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 1995 through February 29, 1996, and \$3,015,532 for the period from March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1997.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** Twenty-nine public bills, H.R. 597–625; two private bills, H.R. 626–627; and three resolutions, H. Con. Res. 15 and H. Res. 41–42, were introduced.

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**Unfunded Mandate Reform:** House continued consideration of H.R. 5, to curb the practice of imposing unfunded Federal mandates on States and local

governments, to ensure that the Federal Government pays the costs incurred by those governments in complying with certain requirements under Federal statutes and regulations, and to provide information on the cost of Federal mandates on the private sector; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will resume on Monday, January 23.

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Agreed to the Fattah amendment that requires the Commission on Unfunded Mandates to investigate and review the role of unfunded State and local mandates on local governments, the private sector, and individuals.

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Rejected:

The Lofgren amendment that sought to provide that Congress not impose any Federal mandate on a State, including a requirement to pay matching amounts, unless the State is prohibited by Federal law from requiring, without local government consent, that the local government perform activities in compliance with a mandate (rejected by a recorded vote of 157 ayes to 267 noes, Roll No. 22);

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The Taylor of Mississippi en bloc amendment that sought to provide that provisions would not apply to existing laws and regulations establishing effluent limitations restricting types and quantities of pollutants that may be discharged into U.S. waters by sewage treatment plants, factories, and other facilities (rejected by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 23); and

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The Towns en bloc amendment that sought to provide that provisions would not apply to existing laws and regulations pertaining to State and local government activities that involve interstate matters which could impact on the health or safety of residents of other States (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 24).

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**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of January 23. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Monday.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, January 23.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of January 25.

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**Committee Elections:** House agreed to the following resolutions electing Members to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct:

H. Res. 41, electing Representatives Johnson of Connecticut, Chairman, Bunning of Kentucky, Goss, Hobson, and Schiff; and

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H. Res. 42, electing Representatives McDermott, Cardin, Pelosi, Borski, and Sawyer.

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**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H468–75.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H420–21, H435, and H445–46. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### TAKING BACK OUR STREETS ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime concluded hearings on issues related to H.R. 3, Taking Back Our Streets Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### TAX-DEDUCTIBILITY OF HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS BY THE SELF-EMPLOYED

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on Tax-Deductibility of Health Insurance Costs by the Self-Employed. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### SENIOR CITIZENS' EQUITY ACT; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on tax incentives for long-term care insurance as part of H.R. 8, Senior Citizens' Equity Act. Testimony was heard from David Guttchen, Project Director, Partnership for Long-Term Care, State of Connecticut; Gail Holubinka, Director, Partnership for Long-Term Care, State of New York; Kevin Mahoney, Project Director, Partnership for Long-Term Care, State of California; David Allen, Executive Officer, Welfare Fund, New York City; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing, the Subcommittee met for organizational purposes.

### PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources continued hearings on H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility Act, with emphasis on Illegitimacy and Welfare. Testimony was heard from Ruth Wasem, Specialist in Social Legislation, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue January 23.

## Joint Meetings

### BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee held hearings to examine the proposed Balanced Budget Amendment, focusing on the inclusion of a tax limitation, receiving testimony from Senator Kyl; Representatives Barton and McDermott; Virginia Governor George Allen, Richmond; New Hampshire Governor Stephen Merrill, Concord; William A. Niskanen, Cato Institute, and Lawrence Chimerine, Economic Strategy Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Lewis K.