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HIGHLIGHTS

House Committee ordered reported 19 sundry measures, including the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11663-S11755

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1669–1677, S. Res. 192–193, and S. Con. Res. 58. Page S11726

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: H.R. 858, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to extend coverage under the whistle-blower protection provisions of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to personnel of the courts of the District of Columbia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–167)

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Measures Passed:

Extending Birthday Greetings to Former President Carter: Senate agreed to S. Res. 192, extending birthday greetings and best wishes to Jimmy Carter in recognition of his 75th birthday. Pages \$11669-70

U.S. Code Chapter 12: Senate passed S. 1606, to extend for 9 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, is reenacted, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages \$11753-54

Sessions (for Grassley) Amendment No. 1888, in the nature of a substitute.

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John Heinz Senate Fellowship Program: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 180, reauthorizing the John Heinz Senate Fellowship Program, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program: Senate agreed to S. Res. 193, to reauthorize the Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program. Pages \$11754-55

Energy Policy and Conservation Act Extension: Senate passed H.R. 2981, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Con-

servation Act through March 31, 2000, clearing the measure for the President. Page S11755

Labor/HHS/Education: Senate continued consideration of S. 1650, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S11663-66, S11681-S11719, S11721-24

Adopted:

Graham Amendment No. 1821, to restore funding for social services block grants. (By 39 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 302), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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Graham Amendment No. 1886 (to Amendment No. 1821), to restore funding for social services block grants.

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Dodd Amendment No. 1813, to increase funding for activities carried out under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. (By 41 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 303), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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Coverdell Amendment No. 1885 (to Amendment No. 1846), to clarify provisions relating to expenditures by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration by authorizing 50 percent of the amount appropriated that is in excess of the amount appropriated for such purpose for fiscal year 1999 to be used for compliance assistance and 50 percent of such amount for enforcement and other purposes. (By 44 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 304), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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Enzi Amendment No. 1846, to clarify provisions relating to expenditures by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration by authorizing 50 percent of the amount appropriated that is in excess of the amount appropriated for such purpose for fiscal year 1999 to be used for compliance assistance and

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50 percent of such amount for enforcement and other purposes. Pages \$11694-\$11701, \$11718

Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 1816, to express the sense of the Senate regarding payments under the prospective payment system for hospital outpatient department services under the medicare program.

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Rejected:

Boxer Amendment No. 1809, to increase funds for the 21st century community learning centers program. (By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 299), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Hutchinson Amendment No. 1812, to provide for a transfer of funds for the consolidated health centers.

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Hutchinson Amendment No. 1834 (to Amendment No. 1812), to provide funding for the consolidated health centers. (By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 300), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Reid Amendment No. 1820, to increase the appropriation for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. (By 51 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 301), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Gregg Amendment No. 1810 (to Amendment No. 1809), to require that certain appropriated funds be used to carry out part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

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Reid Amendment No. 1807, to require the Secretary of Labor to issue regulations to eliminate or minimize the significant risk of needlestick injury to health care workers.

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Brownback Amendment No. 1833, to establish a task force of the Senate to address the societal crisis facing America.

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A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, with an amendment to be proposed thereto, at 9 a.m., on Friday, October 1, 1999.

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FAA Authorization—Agreement: A unanimousconsent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 82, to authorize appropriations for Federal Aviation Administration, on Monday, October 4, 1999.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Arthur L. Money, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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Messages From the House: Page \$11725
Measures Referred: Page \$11725

Enrolled Bills Presented: Page S11725 **Communications:** Page S11725 **Executive Reports of Committees:** Page S11726 **Statements on Introduced Bills:** Pages S11726-34 **Additional Cosponsors:** Pages S11734-35 **Amendments Submitted:** Pages S11737-51 **Notices of Hearings:** Page S11751 **Authority for Committees:** Page S11751 **Additional Statements:** Pages S11751-53

Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—304) Pages \$11666, \$11693, \$11715–17

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:51 p.m., until 9:00 a.m., on Friday, October 1, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11755.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

WTO AGRICULTURAL TRADE AGENDA

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to review the Administration's agriculture trade agenda for the upcoming World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle, after receiving testimony from Peter Scher, Special Trade Negotiator, Office of United States Trade Representative; August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Šervices; Andrew Whisenhunt, Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation, Bradley, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Leland Swenson, National Farmers Union, Nicholas D. Giordano, National Pork Producers Council, Janet A. Nuzum, International Dairy Foods Association, and Allen F. Johnson. National Oilseed Processors Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Kyle Phillips, Knoxville, Iowa, on behalf of the National Corn Growers Association.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Thomas B. Leary, of the District of Columbia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, Stephen D. Van Beek, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation, Michael J. Frazier, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, Gregory Rohde, of North Dakota, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, Linda Joan Morgan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation