

to the Baucus/Grassley title, and that Members have until 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2002, to offer possible second degree amendments thereto.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 24, 2002.

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**Estate Tax—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that when the Senate considers H.R. 8, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period, but no later than June 28, that the only amendments in order are as follows: Senator Gramm with respect to an estate tax; Senator Daschle or his designee with respect to an estate tax which shall be subject to two second degree amendments to be offered by Senator Daschle, or his designee; with Senator Daschle's amendment being the first one offered; that the amendments (listed above) deal solely with the subject of estate tax; that the estate tax amendments be subject to a 60 vote Budget Act point of order that no other amendments or motions be in order to the bill, except motions to waive the Budget Act; and that if any of the above amendments, after each has had its motion to waive vote, are adopted the bill be read a third time and the Senate vote on final passage of the bill, without any intervening action or debate and that if none of the amendments achieve 60 votes to waive the Budget Act, the bill be placed back on the calendar. Further that there be 2 hours for debate on each of the amendments (listed above) equally divided in the usual form.

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Periodic Report on the National Emergency with Respect to Significant Narcotics Traffickers Centered in Columbia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-81)

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 79), Jeffrey R. Howard, of New Hampshire, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Executive Communications:**

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**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S3174-S3224

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** Pages S3224-25

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—79) Pages S3121-22, S3142, S3145

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:41 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 24, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3231).

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE SYSTEM

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the Federal Deposit Insurance System and recommendations for reform, focusing on merging the Bank Insurance Fund with the Savings Association Insurance Fund, statutory restrictions on premiums, and designated reserve ratios, after receiving testimony from Donald E. Powell, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Peter R. Fisher, Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, Office of Public Affairs, John D. Hawke, Jr., Comptroller of the Currency, and James E. Gilleran, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, all of the Department of the Treasury.

### PHARMACEUTICALS COMPETITION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine competition in the pharmaceutical industry, focusing on generic pharmaceuticals, marketplace access, and consumer issues, and certain related provisions of S. 812, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals, after receiving testimony from Senator Schumer; Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; New Hampshire Governor Jeanne Shaheen, Concord; Tim Fuller and Marion Wolff, both of Gray Panthers, Gregory J. Glover, Ropes and Gray, on behalf of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, Kathleen Jaeger and Karen Walker, both of Generic Pharmaceutical Association, and Shelbie Oppenheimer, on behalf of the ALS Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Steven S. Martin, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska, Omaha, on behalf of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

**U.S. NONPROLIFERATION EFFORTS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine United States nonproliferation efforts in the former Soviet Union, focusing on the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Cohen Group, former Secretary of Defense, and Constantine C. Menges, Hudson Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Siegfried S. Hecker, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico.

**FEDERAL HUMAN CAPITAL CRISIS**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the implications of the human capital crisis, focusing on how the federal government is recruiting, selecting, retaining, and training individuals to oversee trade policies and regulate financial industries, after receiving testimony from Loren Yager, Director, International Affairs and Trade, and Richard J. Hillman, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, both of the General Accounting Office; Grant Aldonas, Under Secretary for International Trade Administration, and Edward L. Blansitt, Deputy Inspector General, both of the Department of Commerce; James M. McConnell, Executive Director, Securities and Exchange Commission; Lynn Turner, Colorado State University Center for Quality Financial Reporting, Fort Collins; and Troy H. Cribb, Steptoe and Johnson, Washington, D.C., former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Trade Administration.

**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee held hearings to examine the implementation of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on accountability for results, parent and student choice, flexibility for States, school dis-

tricts, and schools, and progress to date, receiving testimony from Eugene W. Hickok, Under Secretary of Education.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**HUMAN SUBJECT RESEARCH**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Public Health concluded hearings to examine current safeguards concerning the protection of human subjects in research, while facilitating critical medical research, after receiving testimony from Cherlynn Mathias, Harris Methodist Fort Worth Clinical Research Department, Fort Worth, Texas; Marjorie A. Speers, Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs, Inc., Washington, D.C., former Acting Executive Director of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission; Charles A. Johnson, Genentech, Inc., San Francisco, California, on behalf of the Biotechnology Industry Organization; and David Charles, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the National Alliance of Medical Researchers and Teaching Physicians.

**CABLE COMPETITION**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition, and Business and Consumer Rights concluded hearings to examine cable competition, focusing on the proposed AT&T Broadband-Comcast merger, after receiving testimony from Brian L. Roberts, Comcast Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; C. Michael Armstrong, AT&T Corporation, Basking Ridge, New Jersey; Garry Betty, Earthlink, Atlanta, Georgia; Richard R. Greene, Cable Television Laboratories, Inc., Louisville, Colorado; Mark Haverkate, WideOpen West, Castle Rock, Colorado, on behalf of the Broadband Service Providers Association; and Robert A. Perry, Mitsubishi Digital Electronics America, Inc., Irvine, California.

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# House of Representatives

***Chamber Action***

**Measures Introduced:** 14 public bills, H.R. 4545–4558; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 88 and H. Con. Res. 385, were introduced. **Page H1532**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2963, to establish the Deep Creek Wilderness Area, amended (H. Rept. 107–416);

H.R. 1448, to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa, amended (H. Rept. 107–417 Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 395, providing for consideration of H.R. 3763, to protect investors by improving the accuracy