Library Services Improvement Act (1989): Article 01
HIGHLIGHTS

House passed arms control and intelligence authorization bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1750-1753.

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

- S. 604, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase settlement authority and expand coverage relating to claims for damages resulting from law enforcement activities, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 101-163)
- S. 1750, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 5 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1990. (S. Rept. No. 101-164)
- H.R. 3385, to provide assistance for free and fair elections in Nicaragua.

Measures Passed:

Eisenhower VA Medical Center: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2987, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Leavenworth, Kansas, as the "Dwight D. Eisenhower Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center", and the bill was then passed.

Library Services and Construction Act: Senate passed H.R. 2742, to extend and amend the Library Services and Construction Act, after striking all after the enacting clause and substituting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1291, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to committee amendments, and agreeing to amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

- (2) Chafee (for Helms) Amendment No. 994, to amend the provisions regarding licensing and certification of child-care providers and child-care centers.

S. 1291 was subsequently indefinitely postponed.

- (See next issue.)

Nicaraguan Election Assistance: Senate began consideration of H.R. 3385, to provide assistance for free and fair elections in Nicaragua.

A motion was entered to close further debate on the Act and, by unanimous consent, a vote on the cloture motion will occur immediately following the vote on passage of H.R. 3299, Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989.

- (See next issue.)

Budget Reconciliation: Senate began consideration of S. 1750, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 5 of H. Con. Res. 106, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1990, 1991, and 1992, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Adopted:
- (1) Bennett Amendment No. 982, to make certain modifications.

- (See next issue.)

- Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Friday, October 13.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: David George Ball, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

- (See next issue.)

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- Harry F. Manbeck, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.
- David E. Lewis, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Acquisition and Facilities).
Jacqueline Jones-Smith, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NICARAGUAN ELECTION ASSISTANCE Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 3385, to provide assistance for free and fair elections in Nicaragua.


House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3451-3467; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 420, H. Con. Res. 213, and H. Res. 263-264 were introduced.

Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 297 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 284, the House approved the Journal of Wednesday, October 11.

Flag Protection: By a yea-and-nay vote of 371 yeas to 43 nays, Roll No. 286, the House agreed to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 2978, to amend section 700 of title 18, United States Code, to protect the physical integrity of the flag—clearing the measure for the President.

H. Res. 262, the rule providing for the motion to agree to the Senate amendments, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas, Roll No. 285.

Late Report: Committee on the Judiciary received permission to have until 6 p.m. Friday, October 13, to file 8 legislative reports.

Arms Control Agency Authorization: By a yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 287, the House passed H.R. 1495, to amend the Arms Control and Disarmament Act to authorize appropriations for the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

Agreed to the Fascell amendment in the nature of a substitute (text of H.R. 3361), as amended by the Traficant amendment, that authorizes the Directors of ACDA and OSIA to award a domestic firm a contract that would be awarded to a foreign firm under the competitive bidding procedures, if certain criteria is met.

H. Res. 255, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight October 13, to file a conference report on H.R. 2883, making appropriations for Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1990.

Intelligence Authorization: By a yea-and-nay vote of 369 yeas to 31 nays, Roll No. 288, the House passed H.R. 2748, to authorize appropriations for the fiscal year 1990 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, for the Intelligence Community Staff, and for the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.