

JOBS BILL - FLOOR ACTION

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Indiana

Comes in at 10:30. At 10:45 he asks unanimous consent to proceed to 2036. Sen. Byrd says he has no objection.

Quayle starts in--says Hatch has "always been supportive" "been in favor since day 1" - lots of praise for Senator Kennedy. "We came up with a compromise bill which is before the Senate today." Eulogy of Kennedy - "his idealism is indelibly imprinted on the bill - Hawkins moved amendment. Pell and Nickles. Metzenbaum praise for sliding scale. He praises all those who put in amendments.

He reads Stockman letter of support of June 8 and says there is "comprehensive support." "travelled the legislative routes for a long time."

It's a extemporaneous speech to the point. Guttman is beside him. Kitty Higgins is beside Kennedy.

Quayle stands with hands on the back of the chair and he walks into the aisle and back again. He speaks strongly and without a prepared speech. He has notes on a yellow pad. Hands in pockets, outstretched arms, arm pointing forward, hand pointing down, moving all the time, picks up his note pad and holds it in his hand "the removal (sic) of the federal government." "One of the major or most major pieces of social legislation to be passed in the Congress." "I hope we can move this very significant and instrumental legislation forward."

He took 15 minutes.

Kennedy speaks - He recommends that they pass the legislation - commends DQ - "I thought Sen. Quayle showed great interest and worked effectively with members of his party as well as with the Dems."

Went all over county - was forthcoming with those few who had been interested for many years - all young people who will benefit from program are indebted to him for his persistence."

"I welcome chance to cosponsor."

There are 3 reporters in the gallery (Espo. is one.)

No other Senators are on the floor as DQ & TK speak.

"This ^{initiative} is the first real institution that recognizes and responds to the human dimension..." of our problems.

Hatch comes in as TK speaks and as Kennedy speaks of it as a "youth training bill."

Kennedy reads his speech in a very perfunctory fashion. Monotone. Except when he comes to pay merit of wages. Then he looks up and speaks in a louder voice. He blames the administration for that "Catch 22." But there is still nothing like what he can do, wants "greater flexibility." He "hopes that these restrictions can be eased in conference with the House" says Quayle understands.

Hatch - Please to be cosponsor of 2036." "Several mountains had to be climbed to get to this point." It takes a long time and a lot of compromise to pass a bipartisan-admin. backed bill. Commends Quayle & Kennedy. Also commends Labor Department staff!

Quayle talks to Kennedy as Hatch talks, Guttman is at the back of the chamber talking to a couple of staffers.

Quayle "whose efforts have been primarily responsible to the bill." Hawkins "has carried a lot of the ball on this bill, played a pivotal role especially with the admin." Chris Iverson joins Hatch and sits there beside Quayle.

Hawkins is next. She praises - Quayle - 2036= "impressive product of over a year and a half of work." They "removed politics" from the bill. "not been an easy task." ends "landmark legislation."

As Hawkins speaks there are 6 reporters there. *Hawkins is to Quayle what Gorton is to Domenici--someone who will hang in there.

Quayle gets technical amends. passed.

Kennedy asks 2% to support National Employment Commission. Hatch supports him - Quayle urges it too. - voice vote.

Kennedy has another amendment bring American Samoan into the bill--the item lost in the committee - says Nickles has worked out his concerns. voice vote.

Kennedy has another amendment for himself and Quayle - gives Governors more resources by taking off 15% limits on monitoring amounts. They can do anything they want with their 5%. - have talked to governor's since markup . Hatch supports it and Quayle voice vote.

The only people voting on all these amendments are Hatch, Quayle, Kennedy!

Kennedy asks for waiver by governor of the 30% restriction on administration and support. - argues flexibility - Governor requests Sec. Labor to waive under "special circumstances." Sec. can still refuse to do it. "We have been over this ground many times with the Sen. from Indiana.... If we can't resolve it here, we can in conference."

Quayle - sympathy for K. idea - based on flexibility - "has been of immense controversy" - The matter of insuring that money go to training. "It's going to be an issue in the conference." The amendment is "sensible". I cannot "at this juncture" accept the amendment. though he likes "At this particular point I am restrained to resist the amendment."

Kennedy says he knows he won't win - "given the grand view of the Senator from Indiana...better to go to conference than to a decisive amendment...is hopeful. Withdraws his amendment.

Hatch amendment - Quayle supports it voice vote.

Baker, Thurmond and Simpson are in back of the hall talking. Otherwise, no one is around.

Hatch amendment - on some kinds of plans of Labor Department. Quayle explains what he thinks bill means and Hatch withdraws amendment.

Quayle asks for yeas and nays.

Simpson = set aside of 2% of the Secretary of Labor fields for veterans - lists a long bunch of co-sponsors. Thurmond rises in strong support of it. Quayle supports it. Voice.

Hatch - VI - Quayle just waves at the chair to go ahead, doesn't even get out of his seat.

At 12:10 they put in a quorum call--waiting for a couple of Senators to get to the floor.

Dan has a breezy style - Hatfield asks unanimous consent to insert something "I yield to the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee--anytime." A little jaunty nod to power.

Pete Domenici arrives with an amendment - calls it "forward funding" amendment. money only for 1983--and prescribes "forward funding" for future.

Indicates support for coordination between vocational ed and job training. They used to be on diff. budget cycles. Now, vocational ed. and schools can work better with job training.

There's enough in budget res. for other than 1983, but not

Here's the problem: Can't have BA for 83 and forward funding for 84 all in this one year. So his amend. defers forward funding for 1984. No problem with outlays. But if you forward fund for '83 you have to take it somewhere else - defers double shot into 2nd year of bill.

Quayle accepts it. - "I enthusiastically applaud" PD's support of forward funding. Voice.

Metz. amendment - re admin. costs definition. Quayle reminds Metz that he thought it OK but the admin still opposed "The merits of your argument I can find no fault with." He tells Metz. they'll go to conference. "I can assume

"I unfortunately am not in a position of reluctantly opposing the amendment."

"It seems like a good amend...but I am in a position right now that I cannot support. it."

Metz. says DQ is "supportive" and he thinks it inappropriate to force it to a vote. " hope to do it in conference.

Metz. goes over to Quayle and shakes his hand, pats him on the arm and gives him the clenched fist sign."

Stennis calls it a difficult subject and says he knows Sen. from Indiana did good job.

Stafford comes in and reads his support ERA.

Dan thanks staff - all of whom are in a gallery with me.

Arlen Specter amend. - tax credit for job training. The first major amendment. He wants to incorporate a whole new section to the bill. Neighborhood Assistance Act. "relatively modest cost." I think it fits in with

Domenici comes out to the floor. - he gets up first, then Quayle says he'll go first. Quayle opposes it. He applauds what he's trying to do. Says it might have helped. But "the timing is absolutely wrong. No way to consider a tax bill on a measure passed out" suggest that Specter try tax bill. no hearings on it, we didn't discuss it, we don't know what the cost is.

Inappropriate at this time.

Domenici speaks and suggests that AS idea is exciting one - We are already doing most of what he is suggesting via Heinz - Domenici targeted jobs tax credit. Employers will get tax credit in many cases under the job training bill.

Should amend the tax bill and not this bill - House wouldn't even consider a tax bill.

Qu. Sen. Domenici is "right on." This is simply not the right time to do it.

PD & DQ try to tell AS that he's provided a service by raising the issue, but that he's not going to get anywhere. He should have sense to stop, declare victory and stop.

AS gets up and fights a little - says he's seen the same argument before - that it's inappropriate...

It is no easy matter for a legis. proposal to get in the U.S. Senate... Sens. busy and committees busy... I would be willing to defer if there were assurances of prompt hearings on the matter... I believe it deeply...(He's looking for some easy way out.)

He thinks "it is a matter worth pressing today." AS asks for yeas and nays. Q. jumps up to keep him from doing this.

Quayle says he'll request hearings - will see Dole.

"The Sen. has made his case." He asks AS to defer it at this point. He tells AS that others have had amends. and withdrawn them. Tells AS that he shouldn't do it. Then he threatens a point of order. House won't accept it even if it were passed. He lectures AS.

AS says he needs something from Dole and that Dole will come if the bells ring.

AS asks

AS says he'll temporarily lay his amend. aside.

If you put together all the arguments

PD raises question of state legislature - Governor was strong here.

Faily long question and Dan has to think on his feet - uses flexibility as his key argument - haven't included or excluded state legislature, he says. Every

state is different. For us to come up with provincial--I don't mean provincial, I mean eminent wisdom." (sic) PD is worried about governors power.

PD wants gov. and legislature to work together to protect own domains.

Strom Thurmond was on way out of chamber, he heard PD's question, sat down listened to debate. Now, he reaches for a mike and stands up and Thurmond supports Domenici. Says gov. may "play politics."

Dan says they've gotten his attention and he'll keep it in mind as we go into conference. Their remarks will not pass without further study. Difficult to "force the two to deal with it up front."

PD says he's not reassured, but will look at it for next 30-45 minutes and see. Pete says "It's the governor's bill." "The legis. is inordinately left out. Instead of inviting their involvement; we are inviting just the opposite."

Cochran praises the bill. Now (1:15) there are still six reporters, but Senators are drifting in.

Lester comes in (earlier). "Shaheen fought it right down to the last moment. This morning, he delivered a stack of amendments to every Senator's office. They never did get their act together. (I go out to get something to eat.) *rest of govt m. m. - see the page*

Byrd is talking - Schmitt.

AS is talking intently to Hatch.

Denton amendment and Quayle accepts it - to take care of truly needy and not giving money to the not needy. Kennedy worries and gets more excited than he has yet. Denton modifies his cap 200 to 250%.

They go back to AS. He says he's conferred with Dole and Dole will give his bill a hearing for July 15th and "in light of that I withdraw my amendment."

PD comes in with his amend.; they call for quorum and have a conference on the floor - Fulton, PD, DQ, Guttman, Higgins, Iverson and Blair - legis. counsel. Blair does the writing of it.

PD offers his amendment. Nothing in the act precludes state legis. from acting... Nice resolution - Quayle accepts it. Says "showed his usual intestinal fortitude in getting his way." He says PD and Thurmond are so distinguished - etc. I used to be opposed to it, thought I knew everything but I've been p

Quayle uses his who am I "to disagree with my distinguished chairman turns to PD in next aisle and reaches out both arms, grinning. I am moved to laughter - Fred Hashway, sitting with me, says "he's rolling."

At 2:20 yeas and nays are ordered. The staff in the gallery grins. Hatch shakes Chris Iverson, Bob, Jim Wolff. Dan and Hatch stand at the table as the roll begins.

4 Reporters are there as roll call goes on.

Jim Range shakes hands with Bob Guttman and Jim Wolff.

Passed 95-0. 2:44.

Then, while Dan stayed there, they passed a resolution protecting the older Americans act--the thing Eagleton brought up in subcommittee.