

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3590, Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act (The legislative vehicle entitled, “The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act”).

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 223, Adjournment Resolution.

First Session of the 111th Congress adjourned sine die.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S13889–S14141*

**Measures Introduced:** Two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S.J. Res. 25, and S. Res. 387.

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#### Measures Passed:

***Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act:*** By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 396), Senate passed H.R. 3590, entitled The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Cardin (for Reid) Amendment No. 3298, to amend the title.

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***Continued Government Financing Act:*** By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 397), Senate passed H.R. 4314, to permit continued financing of Government operations, clearing the measure for the President.

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***Adjournment Resolution:*** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 223, providing for the sine die adjournment of the first session of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress.

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**Authorizing Leadership To Make Appointments—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamen-

tary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing that all nominations received by the Senate during the 111th Congress, first session, remain in status quo, notwithstanding the December 24, 2009, adjournment of the Senate, and the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, with the following exceptions: Col. David A. Teeple; Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, to be Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Mary L. Smith, to be Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Christopher H. Schroeder, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, The Judiciary; Craig Becker, to be Member of the National Labor Relations Board (Reappointment); and Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, The Judiciary.

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

Miriam E. Sapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Thomas Alfred Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil.

John R. Norris, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2012.

Robert Perciasepe, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Alberto M. Fernandez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

Mary Jo Wills, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles.

Alan D. Solomont, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra.

Dolly M. Gee, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Richard Seeborg, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique.

Mary Burce Warlick, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia.

Richard G. Callahan, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri for the term of four years.

Michael W. Cotter, of Montana, to be United States Attorney for the District of Montana for the term of four years.

Adele Logan Alexander, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2014.

Sanford C. Coats, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

Mary Elizabeth Phillips, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

John Leroy Kammerzell, of Colorado, to be United States Marshal for the District of Colorado for the term of four years.

Mark Anthony Martinez, of Nebraska, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

Stephen James Smith, of Georgia, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Georgia for the term of four years.

James B. Warlick, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria.

David Daniel Nelson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay.

Eleni Tsakopoulos Kounalakis, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Hungary.

Sharon Jeanette Lubinski, of Minnesota, to be United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

Scott Boyer Quehl, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Scott Boyer Quehl, of Pennsylvania, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

Anne Slaughter Andrew, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica.

Lynnae M. Ruttledge, of Washington, to be Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Department of Education.

Grayling Grant Williams, of Maryland, to be Director of the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

John Gibbons, of Massachusetts, to be United States Marshal for the District of Massachusetts for the term of four years.

Rajiv J. Shah, of Washington, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Barbara L. McQuade, of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan for the term of four years.

James L. Santelle, of Wisconsin, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Wisconsin for the term of four years.

Christopher A. Crofts, of Wyoming, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming for the term of four years.

Michael A. Khouri, of Kentucky, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2011.

David L. Strickland, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, Foreign Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Timothy S. Black, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

Gloria M. Navarro, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Measures Read the First Time:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—397)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 6:46 a.m. and adjourned sine die, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 223 at 10:19 a.m., until 12 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S14140–41.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 223, the House has adjourned sine die until noon on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 for the convening of the Second Session of the 111th Congress.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.