

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S775–S835

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and eight resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1997–2006, and S. Res. 345–352. **Page S821**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 1870, to reauthorize and restructure adoption incentive payments, to better enable State child welfare agencies to prevent sex trafficking of children and serve the needs of children who are victims of sex trafficking, to increase the reliability of child support for children. (S. Rept. No. 113–137) **Page S820**

Measures Passed:

World Polio Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 270, supporting the goals and ideals of World Polio Day and commending the international community and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio. **Pages S833–34**

Ambush Marketing: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 289, expressing the sense of the Senate that ambush marketing adversely affects the United States Olympic and Paralympic teams, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S834**

Reid (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2729, to amend the resolving clause. **Page S834**

Reid (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2730, to amend the preamble. **Page S834**

Reid (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2731, to amend the title. **Page S834**

Iraqi Jewish Archive: Senate agreed to S. Res. 333, strongly recommending that the United States renegotiate the return of the Iraqi Jewish Archive to Iraq. **Page S834**

Olympic Winter Games and Paralympic Winter Games: Senate agreed to S. Res. 352, commemorating the success of Team USA in the past 22 Olympic Winter Games and supporting Team USA

in the 2014 Olympic Winter Games and Paralympic Winter Games. **Page S834**

Measures Considered:

Bipartisan Budget Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1963, to repeal section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013. **Pages S775–77, S812**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, February 6, 2014, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2014. **Page S812**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 2 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2014. **Page S835**

Unemployment Benefits Extension: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1845, to provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S777–94**

Pending:

Reid (for Reed) Amendment No. 2714, of a perfecting nature. **Page S777**

Reid Amendment No. 2715 (to Amendment No. 2714), to change the enactment date. **Page S777**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2716, to change the enactment date. **Page S777**

Reid Amendment No. 2717 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2716), of a perfecting nature. **Page S777**

Reid Amendment No. 2718 (to Amendment No. 2717), of a perfecting nature. **Page S777**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 23), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Reed) Amendment No. 2714 (listed above). **Page S794**

Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on Reid (for Reed) Amendment No. 2714. **Page S794**

By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 24), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Page S794**

Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the bill. **Page S794**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas, 1 responding present (Vote No. EX. 25), Max Sieben Baucus, of Montana, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. **Pages S795, S835**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Cheryl Ann Krause, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Beth Bloom, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Paul G. Byron, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Darrin P. Gayles, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Carlos Eduardo Mendoza, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army, Coast Guard, and Navy. **Page S835**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—25) **Pages S794–95**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday,

February 10, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S835.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine counterterrorism policy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2015 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Michael G. Vickers, Under Secretary for Intelligence, Michael D. Lumpkin Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, and Lieutenant General Joseph L. Votel, USA, Commander, and Lieutenant Colonel David Taylor, USA, both of the Joint Special Operations Command, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Wanda Felton, of New York, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Katherine M. O'Regan, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Arun Madhavan Kumar, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

FINANCIAL STABILITY AND DATA SECURITY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine financial stability and data security, after receiving testimony from Mary J. Miller, Under Secretary, and Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Daniel K. Tarullo, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Martin J. Gruenberg, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Mary Jo White, Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Mark P. Wetjen, Acting Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCE BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1784, to improve timber management on Oregon and California Railroad and Coos Bay Wagon Road grant land, and S. 1966, to provide for the restoration of the economic and ecological health of National Forest System land and rural communities, after receiving testimony

from Representative DeFazio; Tomas Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Steven A. Ellis, Deputy Director for Operations, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Sid Leiken, Lane County Commissioner, and Dale Riddle, Seneca Sawmill Company, both of Eugene, Oregon; Doug Robertson, Douglas County Commissioner, Roseburg, Oregon, on behalf of the Association of O&C Counties; Jerry F. Franklin, University of Washington School of Environmental and Forest Science, Seattle; Mike Matz, The Pew Charitable Trusts, Durango, Colorado; Andrew Miller, Stimson Lumber Company, and Sean Stevens, Oregon Wild, both of Portland, Oregon; Clint Georg, Saratoga Forest Management, Saratoga, Wyoming; and Mike Dombeck, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items;

H.R. 1206, to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps;

S. 741, to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017, with an amendment;

S. 212, to approve the transfer of Yellow Creek Port properties in Iuka, Mississippi;

S. 864, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize technical assistance to small public water systems, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 724, to amend the Clean Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles;

S. 51, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act;

S. 970, to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under the Act, with an amendment;

S. 898, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation;

S. 969, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act, with an amendment;

S. 1077, to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the reauthorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network;

S. 1865, to amend the prices set for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users;

S. 1451, to provide for environmental restoration activities and forest management activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation or shipment of quagga mussels;

S. 1080, to amend and reauthorize certain provisions relating to Long Island Sound restoration and stewardship;

Proposed resolutions relating to the General Services Administration; and

The nominations of Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of Illinois, to be Chief Financial Officer, Thomas A. Burke, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Kenneth J. Kopocis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, all of the Environmental Protection Agency, Roy K. J. Williams, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Rhea Sun Suh, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Richard J. Engler, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Karen Dynan, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Luis G. Moreno, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Jamaica, John L. Estrada, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, and Noah Bryson Mamet, of California, to be Ambassador to the Argentine Republic, who was introduced by Senator Bennet, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1486, to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

HIGH-QUALITY EARLY EDUCATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine supporting children and families through investments in high-quality early education, after receiving testimony from John White, Louisiana State Superintendent of Education, Baton Rouge; Danielle

Ewen, District of Columbia Public Schools, Washington; Hirokazu Yoshikawa, New York University Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development, New York; and Charlotte M. Brantley, Clayton Early Learning, Denver, Colorado.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Indira Talwani, to

be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, James D. Peterson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, Nancy J. Rosenstengel, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and Debo P. Adegbile, of New York, and John P. Carlin, of New York, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4005–4020 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3578, to ensure that any new or revised requirement providing for the screening, testing, or treatment of an airman or an air traffic controller for a sleep disorder is adopted pursuant to a rulemaking proceeding, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 113–343);

H.R. 2571, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to require the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to notify and obtain permission from consumers before collecting nonpublic personal information about such consumers, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–344);

H.R. 2446, to replace the Director of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection with a five person Commission, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–345);

H.R. 3193, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to strengthen the review authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council of regulations issued by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–346);

H.R. 3519, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to make the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection an independent agency, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–347); and

H.R. 2431, to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–348).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Hastings (WA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Monsignor Stephen Rossetti, St. Luke Institute, Washington, DC.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote.

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Authorizing Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument: The House passed H.R. 2954, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance, by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 54.

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Rejected the Barber motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 53.

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Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–35 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Lummis amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–340) that conforms with Senate changes to FLPMA, allows the Secretary to consolidate environmental reviews, clarifies the definition of current grazing management, and ensures a timely response for temporary trailing and crossing applications;

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McClintock amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–340) that amends Title IX of the bill to allow the Forest Service added flexibility to implement a salvage logging plan on lands affected by the Rim Fire while protecting sensitive areas and maximizing revenue to fund reforestation;

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Young (AK) amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–340) that approves an Alaska Native Veterans land allotment application and conveys the land associated with the application; and

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Labrador amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–340) that requires the non-prevailing, not directly affected party in a challenge to the Secretary's final grazing decision to pay the directly affected prevailing party incurred fees and expenses, and clarifies the definition of a directly affected party (by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 52).

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Rejected:

Grijalva amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to strike the restriction on federal land acquisition (by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 224 noes, Roll No. 51).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 472, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2954) and (H.R. 3964), was agreed to yesterday, February 5th.

Recess: The House recessed at 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, February 10th when it shall convene at 12 noon for Morning Hour Debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1677–78, H1678–79, H1680 and H1681. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXAMINING CHALLENGES AND WASTED TAXPAYER DOLLARS IN MODERNIZING BORDER SECURITY IT SYSTEMS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency held a hearing entitled “Examining Challenges and Wasted Taxpayer Dollars in Modernizing Border Security IT Systems”. Testimony was heard from David Powner,

Director, Information Technology Management Issues, Government Accountability Office; Charles Armstrong, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Information and Technology, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and Thomas Michelli, Chief Information Officer, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

IRS TARGETING INVESTIGATION: WHAT IS THE ADMINISTRATION DOING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “The IRS Targeting Investigation: What is the Administration Doing?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DUPLICATION, OVERLAP AND FRAGMENTATION IN FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled “Duplication, Overlap and Fragmentation in Federal Financial Assistance Programs”. Testimony was heard from William B. Shear, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; Ann Marie Mehlum, Associate Administrator, Office of Capital Access, Small Business Administration; and Lillian Salerno, Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture.

BUSINESS MEETING

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a business meeting on member access requests. This was a closed meeting.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, February 10

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 p.m., Monday, February 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1963, Bipartisan Budget Act, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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