

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2481–2486, and S. Res. 368. **Page S6274**

Measures Passed:

Commending University of Virginia Cavaliers Women's Lacrosse Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 368, commending the University of Virginia Cavaliers women's lacrosse team for winning the 2004 NCAA Division I women's lacrosse National Championship. **Pages S6291, S6295–96**

Department of Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of S. 2400, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Services, at approximately 10:45 a.m., on Wednesday, June 2, 2004, and that only certain first degree amendments be in order, and that those amendments be subject to relevant second degree amendments. **Page S6296**

Class Action Fairness Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached vitiating the previously scheduled motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2062, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants. **Page S6296**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that upon the conclusion of S. 2400, DOD Authorization, Senate will begin consideration of S. 2062. **Page S6296**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 104), F. Dennis Saylor IV, of Massachusetts, to be United

States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. **Pages S6263–64, S6297**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Carin M. Barth, of Texas, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Veronica Vargas Stidvent, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

John H. Hager, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

Herman Belz, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Tamar Jacoby, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Craig Haffner, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

James Davidson Hunter, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Harvey Klehr, of Georgia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Thomas K. Lindsay, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Iris Love, of Vermont, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Thomas Mallon, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010. (Reappointment)

Ricardo Quinones, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2010.

Robert Cramer Balfe III, of Arkansas, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

David E. Nahmias, of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia for the term of four years.

William Sanchez, of Florida, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices for a term of four years.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Navy. **Pages S6296–97**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—104) **Page S6264**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Wednesday, June 2, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S6296.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4470–4476; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 655–658, were introduced. **Pages H3604–05**

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H3605–06

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4278. A bill to amend the Assistive Technology Act of 1998 to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, amended (H. Rept. 108–514).

H.R. 2010. A bill to protect the voting rights of members of the Armed Services in elections for the Delegate representing American Samoa in the United States House of Representatives, amended (H. Rept. 108–515).

H.R. 3785. A bill to authorize the exchange of certain land in Everglades National Park, amended (H. Rept. 108–516).

S. 144. An act to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance through States to eligible weed management entities to control or eradicate harmful, nonnative weeds on public and private land, amended (H. Rept. 108–517, Part 1).

H. Res. 656. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4444) to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to establish a Personal Reemployment Accounts grant program to assist Americans in returning to work, (H. Rept. 108–518) and,

H. Res. 657. A resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 83) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the appointment of individuals to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives, (H. Rept. 108–519). **Page H3604**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Upton to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H3543**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. John Roller, Pastor Emeritus, St. Thomas Becket Parish in Mt. Prospect, Illinois. **Page H3543**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures:

Congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on the occasion of its 35th anniversary: H. Con. Res. 295, congratulating and saluting Focus: HOPE on the occasion of its 35th anniversary and for its remarkable commitment and contributions to Detroit, the State of Michigan, and the United States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 374 yeas to 0 nays, Roll No. 210; **Pages H3544–47, H3565–66**

Recognizing those who responded to the fire in Richmond, Virginia on March 26, 2004: H. Res. 612, amended, recognizing and honoring the firefighters, police, public servants, civilians, and private businesses who responded to the devastating fire in Richmond, Virginia, on March 26, 2004, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 375 yeas to 0 nays, Roll No. 211; **Pages H3547–49, H3566–67**