

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4231–S4317*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1077–1084, and S. Res. 140–145. **Pages S4304–05**

#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources during the 109th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 110–47)

S. 322, to establish an Indian youth telemental health demonstration project, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 110–43)

S. 375, to waive application of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to a specific parcel of real property transferred by the United States to 2 Indian tribes in the State of Oregon. (S. Rept. No. 110–44)

S. 398, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to identify and remove barriers to reducing child abuse, to provide for examinations of certain children. (S. Rept. No. 110–45)

S. 481, to recruit and retain more qualified individuals to teach in Tribal Colleges or Universities. (S. Rept. No. 110–46)

Report to accompany S. 358, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment. (S. Rept. No. 110–48)

Report to accompany S. 556, to reauthorize the Head Start Act. (S. Rept. No. 110–49)

S. 613, to enhance the overseas stabilization and reconstruction capabilities of the United States Government. (S. Rept. No. 110–50)

S. 442, to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–51) **Page S4304**

#### Measures Passed:

Senate Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 140, to authorize legal representation in the Matter of the Application of Committee on Finance. **Page S4236**

*Honoring Coach Eddie G. Robinson:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 143, honoring Coach Eddie G. Robinson. **Page S4314**

*Honoring Michigan State University Men’s National Collegiate Hockey Team:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 144, honoring the Michigan State University Spartans on winning the 2007 Men’s National Collegiate Hockey Championship. **Pages S4314–16**

*Masters Golf Tournament:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 145, congratulating Zach Johnson on his victory in the 2007 Masters golf tournament. **Page S4316**

*Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse:* Senate passed S. 521, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the “Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse”. **Page S4316**

*Robert E. Coyle United States Courthouse:* Senate passed S. 801, to designate a United States courthouse located in Fresno, California, as the “Robert E. Coyle United States Courthouse”. **Pages S4316–17**

*Clifford Davis and Odell Horton Federal Building:* Senate passed H.R. 753, to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee, as the “Clifford Davis and Odell Horton Federal Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4317**

*Animal Fighting Prohibitions:* Senate passed H.R. 137, to amend title 18, United States Code, to

strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4317**

**Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 5, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research. **Pages S4237–94**

**Hope Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 30, to intensify research to derive human pluripotent stem cell lines. **Pages S4237–94**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of S. 5 and S. 30 (both listed above) at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 11, 2007; that there be 6½ hours remaining for debate, with the time controlled 1½ hours each for the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees, Senator Harkin and Senator Brownback; with the time until 12:30 p.m. divided as follows: 90 minutes under the control of Senator Harkin or his designee; and 45 minutes each for Senators Coleman and Isakson and Senator Brownback; that at 2:15 p.m., the time until 5:15 p.m., be allocated in the same manner, with the final 30 minutes equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees, with the Majority Leader controlling the final 15 minutes; that at 5:45 p.m., Senate vote on final passage of S. 5, to be followed by a vote on final passage of S. 30, and that there be 2 minutes of debate prior to the second vote, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees; provided further that the other provision of the order governing the consideration of these bills remain in effect. **Page S4294**

**Intelligence Authorization Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. **Page S4294**

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, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 12, 2007.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was withdrawn. **Page S4294**

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

Michael G. Vickers, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

John L. Withers II, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania.

Charles Lewis English, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Robert B. Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Miriam K. Hughes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia.

Michael K. Kussman, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Coast Guard. **Page S4317**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S4303–04**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4317.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### OVERSEAS BASING PLANS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a closed hearing to examine overseas basing plans in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Philip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, and Joseph A. Benkert, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Global Security Affairs, both of the Department of Defense; Major General Michael J. Diamond, USAR, Deputy Director, J-4/7, Headquarters United States Central Command; and Rear Admiral Frank Craig Pandolfé, Deputy Director for Strategy and Policy, J-5, Joint Staff.